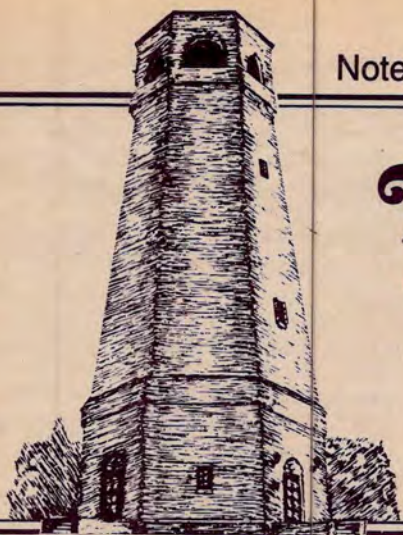




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Court challenge fails, airport noise test set to get under way July 7

by T. D. Mischke

A group of Highland area citizens lost its fight last week to obtain a temporary injunction against a plan to send more commercial air traffic over St. Paul.

The ruling handed down by Judge Otis Godfrey in Ramsey County District Court leaves little in the way of the scheduled July 7 start of the six-month test, which would reroute air traffic at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport. Highland residents can now expect a 500 to 1,200 percent increase in the number of planes flying over their neighborhoods between July 7 and December 7, according to officials at the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC).

"We're obviously disappointed," said attorney Alfred Edwall, one of several lawyers who has been working for several months on behalf of the St. Paul Airport Noise Coalition (SPANC). "It's an appealable decision, but we don't know whether there'll be an appeal at this point."

In Judge Godfrey's court on June 14, Edwall argued that MAC should not have authorized the test without

first holding a public hearing on the need for environmental studies, as called for by state guidelines. Commission attorney Robert Cattanauch countered that such a step would be necessary only if MAC had the final say on approving the test.

"Our decision is only a recommendation to the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration)," Cattanauch maintained. "It's the FAA that will decide whether or not the test should move ahead."

In ruling against the injunction, Godfrey said that while the FAA has rarely gone against a recommendation from the airports commission, he agreed that MAC was not officially responsible for making the decision.

Gerald Stimmler, a member of SPANC's executive committee, said the coalition will meet with its lawyers to decide whether to pursue further legal action. In any event, he said, the group is not yet ready to concede defeat.

"The FAA still has to officially approve the test," Stimmler said. "We think there is reason to believe they may

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John and Betty Wastl of West St. Paul do *Der Boden*, a traditional German dance, during Deutscher Tag (German Day) festivities held June 12 at Highland Park.

College of St. Thomas puts on paper 20-year plan for development

by Dale Mischke

The College of St. Thomas last week released a three-page summary of its plans and expectations for the coming decades, "our best thinking of what the college's future looks like," said Dr. Charles Keffer, provost at St. Thomas.

"We haven't been able to be very specific about our long-range plans in the past," Keffer said. "Our struggle has been, how do we convey to people what our thinking is about the future without locking ourselves into details and specifics."

The report may be welcome news for neighbors of the college, who have long wondered just what St. Thomas' long-range plans were, especially since the college's purchase two years ago of about 27 acres of the old St. Paul Seminary campus and because of its continuing efforts to buy up property on the two residential blocks just south of St. Thomas' present 50-acre campus.

St. Thomas' enrollment has more than tripled over the past 14 years—from 2,700 students in 1974 to 8,400 in 1988—and local residents

fear that the near doubling of the college's campus will be accompanied by an additional doubling of the college's enrollment.

Few area residents had had a chance to see the report by late last week, but according to Kathie Tarnowski, community organizer for the District 14 Community Council, the reaction so far has been varied. "Some people are calling it a milestone while others are skeptical," she said. "I think you have to take the document at face value, but I don't know if the neighbors will do that."

Dr. Raymond DiBlasio, a Summit Avenue resident and co-chair of the Joint Committee on Community and College Relations, said he found the report "very welcome. If it had been released 18 or 24 months ago, a lot of contention could have been avoided."

Eighteen months ago, the city of St. Paul's Division of Planning released the first draft of an overall "special condition use permit" that, if adopted by the college and the city, would set new limits on St. Thomas' development.

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Parents rally to get Highland Park teacher back in school

by Ed Kemmick

Ian Beveridge is currently out of a job, but if a group of parents gets its way, he'll be back teaching their children math next fall at Highland Park Junior High School.

Beveridge resigned his teaching job this spring after learning he was about to be fired, but he made it clear he wanted to stay at Highland. A number of parents want him there, too, and they have mounted a campaign to persuade the School Board to give him his job back.

"The whole thing just makes me sad that they could do this to such a wonderful teacher," said Ann Geery, a Hillcrest Avenue resident whose son, a 7th-grader, had Beveridge for a teacher this year. "It makes you feel discouraged about the whole public education system."

This was Beveridge's second year of a three-year probation that teachers must serve before being granted tenure by the St. Paul school district. In March, Beveridge was

informed that Nancy Nielsen, principal of the Highland Park Junior and Senior High complex, had recommended that the School Board terminate his contract at the end of the semester.

In her report on Beveridge's performance this year, Nielsen faulted him for poor classroom management and for failing to be a strong enough disciplinarian. Her report also said Beveridge failed to motivate students and needed to improve his capacity for work.

Beveridge's supporters paint an entirely different picture. They say he is a talented, innovative teacher who got kids interested in math, worked late almost every day of the week, coached the junior high math team, and worked closely with parents to help their children get the most out of his classes.

Nevertheless, Beveridge resigned this spring to keep the termination off his record.

That should have been the end of it, but when parents got wind of Beveridge's resignation, they began to rally behind him, writing letters and making phone calls to the

superintendent of schools and members of the School Board. At the board's June 7 meeting, some 30 parents turned out to plead their cause and to present the board with a petition backing Beveridge.

School district Superintendent David Bennett has promised to review the matter and said he will deliver his decision soon. Even if he backs up the school administrators, however, parents have vowed to carry on their fight, and will ask the board itself to reinstate Beveridge.

They may have a difficult fight. Wayne Arndt, business agent for the St. Paul Federation of Teachers, said superintendents traditionally have been extremely unwilling to overturn decisions made by school administrators. But he also said he has never seen this level of parental support for a probationary teacher, and when parents become involved, "that makes the ears of the board stand up."

School Board member Bill Carlson said he was uncertain what steps the board might

take if Bennett upholds Nielsen's recommendation. "I suspect the board could overturn this decision," Carlson said, but "this is an area in which the board has been very infrequently willing to intervene."

Beveridge said his troubles began last September, when Nielsen called him into her office to discuss his performance at Washington Junior High, where he had taught the previous year. Beveridge admits he had a rocky first year at Washington, but he said that was mainly the result of adjusting to the junior high setting.

A native of England, the 39-year-old Beveridge said he taught economics at the university level there for several years before moving here with his wife, a native of the Twin Cities. He has a bachelor's degree in business and a master's in mathematical economics, and he is one year away from earning a master's in math education from the University of Minnesota. He served as a

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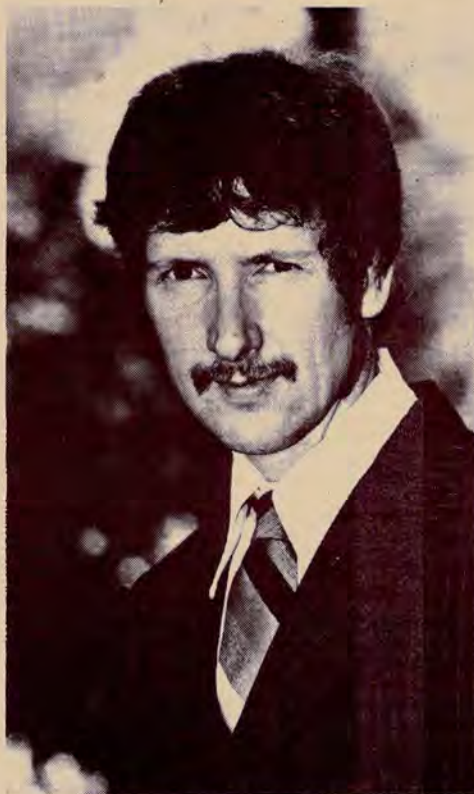
substitute teacher in the Minneapolis school district for three years before landing a full-time job at Washington Junior High.

To back up his case for reinstatement, Beveridge released copies of what he said is his complete personnel file for the 1988-89 school year. It contains, among other papers, evaluations based on classroom observations and letters to and from Beveridge and school administrators. In an April 15 letter to the district director of curriculum and instruction, Beveridge described his September meeting with Nielsen.

"I objected very much to her calling my attitudes wimpy and telling me that I am a weak person," he wrote. He also said that at that time, Nielsen "had already decided to have Chuck Lund come into my class."

Lund is the head of the district's mathematics/computer technology division, and he is often called in to evaluate probationary teachers. He observed several of Beveridge's classes on September 30 and October 1, and later wrote a 2½-page report on his visits.

Under the heading "Suggested Areas of Improvement," Lund made numerous recommendations on lesson planning, maintaining discipline, the use of materials and other topics. In particular, he told Beveridge he should not allow "students to talk constantly, parade to the drinking fountain, waste basket or pencil sharpener during your presentation," and that "it is important to reduce the amount of 'shouting out' answers in your classes."



Ian Beveridge

Looking back, Beveridge said, he realizes it was that letter which soured his relationship with Lund and, by extension, with Nielsen. He said Lund had also observed several of his classes at Washington Junior High but had made favorable comments. The Highland Park evaluation, Beveridge said, seemed so negative and one-sided that "I was worried about the state of my record."

For instance, Beveridge maintained that he knew the names of all his students, and yet Lund's evaluation included a paragraph of advice on how to remember their names. If he didn't respond, Beveridge said, it would be a part of his record that he apparently didn't know the names of his students two months into the semester.

He said his letter back to Lund was intended to give some balance to his record, but Lund and Nielsen apparently didn't see it that way. "That's when they (Lund and Nielsen) got significantly worse," he said.

Lund came back for another observation on Friday, December 18, the day before the holiday break. In his evaluation of that visit, dated December 22, Lund said he saw "only slight improvement in the current situation as compared to my observations in October." He again stressed the need for better planning and preparation, and the need to control "insolent and disruptive students. My December 18 observation leads me to believe that the problem still persists. In particular, it is clear that you need to take a firmer hand on disruptive behavior."

Lund also objected to a short pre-holiday

party that Beveridge gave at the end of his second-period class.

"I fail to see the reason for having these students party during school when time for learning mathematics is already short," Lund wrote. "Allowing hyperactive junior high mathematics students to party in your room is also a potentially dangerous situation. Parties before holidays tend to have a dramatic impact on subsequent classes. This impact on other classes was evidenced by three of your students being sent to the Assistant Principal for disciplinary reasons during the third hour. I strongly recommend that you discontinue this practice immediately."

Beveridge later said that it was not so much the contents of that evaluation that bothered him as the fact that it was written at all. In his April 15 letter to the director of curriculum and instruction, Beveridge said he spoke with Lund the day of the December 18 evaluation. "When I suggested to Mr. Lund that choosing the last day before the Christmas break was unfair," Beveridge wrote, "he agreed and said it was an unofficial visit and would not write a letter. A letter was written. . . . My confidence in Mr. Lund was damaged. . . ."

Beveridge also alleged that Lund, during his observation, stole a deck of percent cards that Beveridge was going to use as part of a classroom activity. "Ms. Nielsen did nothing to help me deal with Mr. Lund," Beveridge said in the letter. "He told me it was an old game. So why take the deck? He said he was testing me to see if I noticed. I noticed."

In the same letter, Beveridge said he met with Nielsen after receiving the negative recommendation from her. At that meeting, he said, "She told me that it is because she feels I am defensive with her and Chuck Lund at times, that this means my capacity to work is faulted. . . . I feel my capacity to work has nothing whatsoever to do with my relations with Chuck Lund and Ms. Nielsen."

Nielsen herself made eight observations of Beveridge's classes and wrote up short evaluations of each visit. Her comments, brief and sometimes vague, included several admonitions for Beveridge to assert more control over his students.

All eight of those reports were typed up on district evaluation sheets and were to be signed and dated by the evaluator and the teacher. None of the eight reports filed by Nielsen was signed by Beveridge or Nielsen. In fact, Beveridge said, he never saw any of the reports until after he learned of Nielsen's negative recommendation.

Nielsen said last week that although Beveridge did not see the formal reports, she did give him her handwritten observations after each evaluation session. "I always give the staff member the feedback right away," she said. Beveridge said he did get written remarks, but that these consisted solely of non-judgmental observations, and never includ-

ed suggestions for improving his performance.

Nielsen declined to say anything further about why she gave Beveridge a negative recommendation. "I really am not free to discuss that with you," she said.

Lund also defended his evaluations, and he denied telling Beveridge that he would not write up a report of his December 18 observations. Lund said he often evaluates probationary math teachers and in each case his job is the same.

"I'm there to provide assistance," he said. "I'm not there as a hatchet man. I am there to tell the truth . . . that may not be what someone wants to hear, but that is what I am there to do."

As for Beveridge's allegation that he took some of his classroom materials, Lund said, "I'm not aware of anything like that." He did say that when a teacher is having trouble, "we try many techniques to try to help him." Lund, like Nielsen, declined to say anything about Beveridge's performance beyond what is contained in his reports.

Parents of Beveridge's students, meanwhile, take issue with the conclusions reached by Lund and Nielsen. A group of seven parents met last week to chart their campaign to save Beveridge's job, and all of them said they had never heard any comments from their children about a lack of discipline in Beveridge's classroom.

Beveridge also pointed out that he tried to improve his teaching performance by attending a weekend seminar on assertive disci-

"I am there to tell the truth . . . that may not be what someone wants to hear, but that is what I am there to do."

—Chuck Lund

pline at the College of St. Thomas last fall. Indeed, he said, one of the reasons he had a party for his students on December 18 was to give him a chance to talk individually with them about their progress under his discipline plan.

In an interview last week, Jeff Nash, a Macalester College sociology professor who also had a 7th-grader in Beveridge's class this year, described Beveridge as an "outstanding, exceptional" teacher, "one of the best high school teachers I've ever run across." He also said Beveridge used imaginative tech-

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Drawn by the thrill of an up-close chance to hear the roar of jetliners, spectators regularly park on Post Road and gather just outside the boundaries of the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport.

For some, the roaring sound of a jumbo jet is just part of the thrill

by T. D. Mischke

There they stand, at a time when the outcry over air traffic in the Twin Cities has never been louder, when more and more residents are screaming that too many planes are flying too close to their neighborhoods.

They stand a hundred yards from the runway, watching planes thunder in and out of the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport.

They are there voluntarily. Stranger still, they are thoroughly enjoying themselves.

"No, the noise doesn't bother us. That's part of the thrill," says one elderly gentleman as a Boeing 727 lifts off the runway, followed by the delayed roar of its engines.

It is Friday, and the man is one of 13 people who have gathered on this hot afternoon along Post Road in Bloomington, just a stone's throw from the chain-link fence marking the boundary of the airport. It's about as close as you can get to the runways—and that's precisely why these people are here.

"It's the best place to get a good look at the planes coming in and out," says one woman who has brought her two children along. "We're out here pretty often." Her voice is suddenly drowned out by another jumbo jet blasting off in the afternoon sky.

"What about the noise," I holler. "Doesn't the noise bother you?"

"Oh, we'll put up with a little noise to get a good look at these planes," she says.

In light of the months-old battle between the Metropolitan Airports Commission and the St. Paul Airport Noise Coalition (SPANC), the spectacle of this smiling group of people enjoying an afternoon along an airport runway is loaded with irony.

"Yeah, we've heard about that stuff in Highland," the old man says. "They don't want the planes taking off over their neighborhood. It's a shame, you know. Planes have really been getting a bad name, but if you just stop and watch them sometime, there's really a lot to admire about them."

The gentleman declines an invitation to offer that insight at the next SPANC meeting. "Yeah, I know it's a touchy thing over there," he says.

Another plane is rumbling along the runway now and all eyes turn to meet it. As it draws closer, its wheels slowly leave the ground and its wings suddenly cock to the right. It now flies directly overhead, casting its mammoth shadow over the spectators. Their necks strained, the onlookers stand in

silence and in awe. The sunlight shimmers on the belly of the plane and it looms so close that you swear you could count the rivets.

"Wow!" one of the kids says, coming out of a momentary trance. His mother concurs. "That is *something*," she says.

For these people, at least, the airplane does not represent the teeth-rattling roar that pierces the quiet of residential neighborhoods. For this crowd, it is an awesome, powerful, and indeed, a breathtaking thing to behold.

The proximity seems to make all the difference. The true size of these behemoths cannot be fully appreciated until you get as close to the runway as the Post Road crowd. For the admirers gathered along the roadside, each takeoff represents a challenge to a kind of layman's logic that 200,000 pounds of steel and aluminum should not be able to leave the ground, disappear over the horizon and land in another city.

Watching these giants lumber down the runway, the spectators' faces seemed to be saying, "Hey, that guy doesn't really expect to get that thing off the ground, does he?" But one after another, that's just what they do, and therein lies the excitement.

"You know, when I was your age there wasn't anything like this," the old man says. "I never thought these kinds of planes would be possible."

Another plane slowly drifts into sight on the horizon. Gracefully it sails above the runway, dropping down until its tires finally meet the tarmac, sending up little clouds of blue smoke.

The crowd appears satisfied with the show, and one by one they gradually return to their cars for the drive back home. Later that day, or, for that matter, on practically any day of the week, other people will straggle in to view the same scene with the same fascination and awe.

It is ludicrous, of course, to tell the folks in Highland, or South Minneapolis, Bloomington and Mendota Heights, that they should try to get over their distaste for airplane noise by learning to admire the airplanes.

But with all the airport bashing and the grumbling about noise pollution and deteriorating property values, there is something refreshing, and strangely appealing, about people who still enjoy getting themselves as close as they can to the overpowering roar of the giant jetliners.

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not go ahead with it. They held off pursuing the test until the court decision, and if we appeal they may wait on it."

MAC officials, however, said the test is almost a certainty now, and that the only delays so far have arisen from the need to gather information during a 30-day sound-monitoring period, information that will be used as a basis of comparison for the results of the air-traffic test.

Because sound monitoring equipment—including two such devices in Highland—were finally put into operation June 7, the test is scheduled to begin July 7.

Meanwhile, the SPANC executive committee recently met with St. Paul Mayor George Latimer in an at-

tempt to persuade him to take a more active role in opposing the test. According to Stimmler, members of the citizens group have been disappointed by the mayor's lack of support thus far.

"We are asking him to support us the way Minneapolis' mayor has supported them and Bloomington's mayor has supported the people from Bloomington," Stimmler said. "In a lot of ways, we've been doing the mayor's job by trying to keep our neighborhoods quiet."

However, when reached last week, Latimer said he "shares SPANC's discontent" but prefers taking a different approach to the issue.

"I think where we differ is on strategy, and how we seek to work toward mutual goals," Latimer said. "I don't

think racing off to court at this point is a good idea. I've seen a lot of these things go to court over the years and all it seems to do is make a lot of money for lawyers. My best advice is for the people of St. Paul to get behind the extension of runway 4-22. That would relieve a major threat."

MAC has proposed adding 2,750 feet to runway 4-22, which runs between Highland on the northeast and Bloomington and Richfield on the southwest. According to projections, use of an extended 4-22 would mean that no more than 5 percent of the airport's traffic would fly over Highland. That would be more than the 1 percent Highland now bears, but less than the possible 12 percent that would result from the

redistribution plan that MAC will begin testing July 7.

Latimer added that "people in St. Paul should be looking at the long-range picture" as opposed to battling the six-month test. He has set up a meeting for Wednesday, June 22, to do just that.

The public meeting will be presided over by Latimer, St. Paul City Councilman Bob Long and state Representatives Howard Orenstein and Kathleen Vellenga. MAC representatives are also scheduled to speak on several issues pertaining to air traffic and the projected growth of the international airport.

The meeting will run from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Groveland Recreation Center, 2045 St. Clair Ave.

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The permit would establish new boundaries for the college campus, monitor compliance with parking requirements, and set new standards for building heights and setbacks from property lines.

The permit's first draft, however, was rejected by residents of the neighborhoods surrounding the college. Some residents said the permit allowed for too much growth at the college. Others wanted to see a study completed first to assess the environmental impact of a dramatic increase in St. Thomas' student enrollment.

The city commissioned a neighborhood impact study, and a Planning Division committee will be using that study and St. Thomas' new report to write a second draft of the permit this summer.

The report, "The College of St. Thomas: Looking to the Future," addresses the college's boundaries, building needs and enrollment projections for the next 20 years.

As for boundaries, the report states that "The College has indicated that it will not

seek to acquire property beyond those campus boundaries" outlined in the draft of the special condition use permit, which are Cleveland Avenue on the east, Selby Avenue on the north, Cretin Avenue on the west and Grand Avenue on the south, together with St. Thomas' portion of the former seminary campus.

St. Thomas now enrolls about 3,550 part-time graduate students and expects that number to increase to 5,000 to 6,000 within the next 20 years.

Any property that St. Thomas currently owns beyond those boundaries "will be retained for college use as needed by the college," the report continues.

St. Thomas expects its day-time undergraduate student enrollment to increase about 750 students in the next 10 to 20 years, from the 4,250

today to about 5,000. "The physical facilities that would be needed to grow beyond 5,000 day undergraduate students make such growth impossible," the report states.

St. Thomas now enrolls about 3,550 part-time graduate students, and expects that number to increase to 5,000 to 6,000 students within the next 20 years. Its evening undergraduate enrollment stands at 600 students, and the college expects that number to grow to 800 students within the next 10 years.

"Over the next 10 to 20 years," the report states, "we envision a total enrollment in the vicinity of 11,000 to 12,000 students," but about 2,000 of these students would not be attending classes in St. Paul, but on one of St. Thomas' other three campuses in Minnesota.

At present, the report says, St. Thomas needs to expand its library, renovate and expand its science building, and build new office and classroom space, a parking ramp and possibly a second parking ramp.

St. Thomas will acquire two dorms from the St. Paul Seminary in September 1989, the Grace and Cretin residences, which house from 250 to 300 students. According to the report, an additional dormitory building may

be necessary in the coming years.

"The present construction plans will take five to eight years to complete and 20 years to pay for," the report says. "These projects are not meant to enable the college to grow, but rather to 'catch up,' that is, to accommodate the current level of enrollment. The college has outgrown its facilities and must spend the next several years building and paying for the buildings it needs for its present-size enrollment."

While these are the only building plans mentioned, the report adds that "if capital gifts are offered to the college which are not among our major needs but which would be beneficial to the students and faculty of the college, such gifts also would be considered."

Highland's class of '68 to hold 20-year reunion

The Highland Park Senior High School class of 1968 will have its 20-year reunion on June 24 and 25 at the Registry Hotel in Bloomington. Graduates who have not yet been contacted are asked to call Patrice Johnson Kaplan at 454-8811 or Maureen Edelman Davis at 537-2462.

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niques to teach math—and not just to his students.

During the school year, he said, Beveridge called parents in for a conference, but "instead of just talking to the parents, he put us to work for two hours, doing the same things our children do." Nash also said that any junior high teacher who can get math students to "shout out" answers to questions should be commended rather than criticized.

Beveridge received further support from Charles Caruson, director of the Twin City Institute for Talented Youth. Beveridge has taught a class called "Making Math Click" at the institute for the past two summers and will do so again this summer.

In a June 17 letter to Superintendent Bennett, Caruson described Beveridge as "well planned, caring and humane when he interacted with students. By the end of the session he made a difference in how his students viewed mathematics." Caruson also told Bennett, "After thirty-five years of observing a

variety of teacher talent, I rank Ian as a very competent, caring professional who would be a credit to any school. It would be a pity to lose his kind of talent."

Beveridge himself said he is not certain why he lost his job. "My best judgment of what's going on is that it's a personality conflict," he said. Part of the problem, Beveridge said, is that he runs his classes with "less formality and more involvement with the students." He said his classes are "more relaxed. That's the way we do it in England."

Ann Geery said Beveridge is "the most, the most non-political person in the world. All he wants to do is go into the classroom and teach. I think that's what got him into trouble in the first place."

School Board member Margo Fox said she has looked into Beveridge's case, which she called "a very difficult situation," but she declined to give her own opinion on it until Bennett issues his report. She did point out that Beveridge, after a rough year at Wash-

ington Junior High, was given a second chance at a different school.

"That leads me to believe that efforts were made to be helpful," she said.

If nothing else, Beveridge's case, and the case of several other probationary teachers

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who lost their jobs this year, have prompted the teachers union and the School Board to look more closely at the district's probationary teacher evaluation process. The St.

Paul Federation of Teachers, which would like to see other teachers involved in evaluations, has formed a committee to review the entire process.

School Board member Carlson said the board is also "totally re-examining" the review process. At present, he said, "the board has no defined way of dealing with appeals" from probationary teachers. By next fall, he said, he expects a completely new review system to be in place.

For the supporters of Beveridge, that is not enough. They want Beveridge back at Highland in September. They plan to campaign throughout the summer, if need be, and for starters they had planned to show up in force at the School Board's meeting on Tuesday, June 21.

Lenny Leier, one of the parents who attended the planning meeting last week, summed up their sentiments.

"This system," he said, "needs every single quality teacher it can get its hands on."



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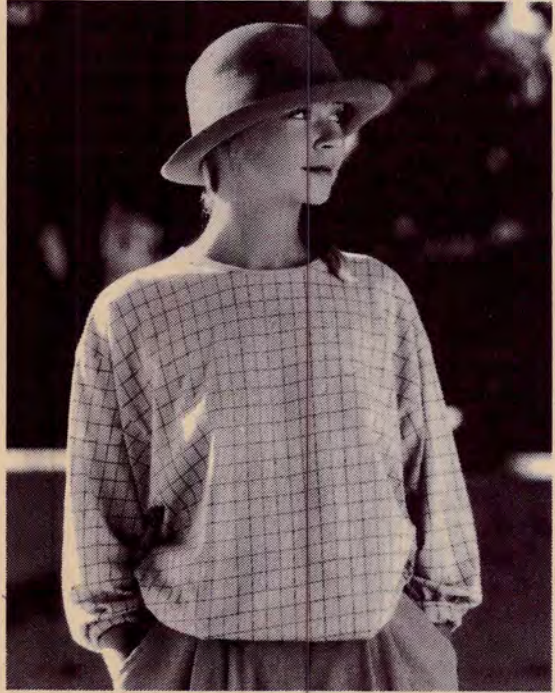
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Viewpoint

Volunteerism in the business realm—then and now

Several seemingly unconnected items on my agenda recently caused me to reflect on what a difference a mere half-century can make.

One morning, little more than a week ago, I attended a board meeting of the Highland Business Association. One of the subjects up for discussion was the voluntary maintenance and beautification program for Highland Village that the association has gotten behind. The need, of course, has always been there, but the unprecedented investment by local business people in the Highland Village Improvement Project has made a maintenance program all the more important. It was one thing—and a very big one—to bring such a project to completion. But it's equally important to make sure that the investment is preserved, that the area retain its upgraded appeal through a cooperative effort that includes all benefiting businesses.

In 1987, the board of the HBA approved a low-buck, voluntary assessment approach for the maintenance program. Kaposia Inc., a sheltered workshop for mentally retarded adults, was subsequently contracted to manicure the boulevards and medians, clean the sidewalks, weed the planters, and clear the area of litter and debris. Kaposia workers have been doing a bang-up job each week ever since.

Many of the firms in Highland Village were delighted at the program that the HBA put together. The benefits were attractive, as were the reasonable costs involved. Those businesses paid their fair share quickly and made it easy to get Kaposia employees started on the job. But after approaching the two-thirds compliance level, it got to be like pulling teeth to get the same fair share from the rest of the benefiting businesses.

And it's the same thing again this year. As voluntary compliance goes these days, the HBA has been told it's doing rather well. But, doggonit, it just doesn't seem right that a certain percentage of cooperating people always has to carry an extra load because of some freeloaders next door or down the street. What's the answer? Publish a "Hall of Shame" list of the delinquents? (By the way, you'll find some additional items on that subject in the HBA's column in this issue. Note how many of the volunteers involved are not retailers at all—just public-spirited citizens who appreciate beauty in their neighborhood.)



Misch-Masch

by Maurice Mischke

What's all this got to do with 50 years ago? What do I know about the business world of that period? And why has my thinking tended to drift that far back of late? Well, it so happens that I'm scheduled to go back to Sauk Centre in July for the golden anniversary of my high school class. My experience on the original Main Street goes back from several years before to several years after that graduation. (Details on request.) As a "precocious" teenager, I worked on Main Street in several capacities as a small-time, small-town entrepreneur. I also played in the Sauk Centre American Legion Band with a lot of business people, many of them at least a generation older than I. So they knew me, and I got to know them.

Those were the days when virtually every business was locally owned and managed—even the franchised operations such as the Gamble store, the A&P and the Red Owl grocery mart. I don't know much about the Twin Cities of that Depression era, but I suspect it was much the same in its neighborhood commercial areas. By 1939, of course, the Highland Village apartments had been built and the Highland Drug Center and a few other stores were ready to open for business.

I was a little too young, of course, to get directly involved in the activities of the Sauk Centre Chamber of Commerce, but it was my observation that most of the decisions on citywide promotions, store hours and the like were hammered out unofficially during the morning coffee hours. That could be at the Waldorf Hotel and Restaurant or the Gopher Prairie Inn, less frequently perhaps at the Belmont or the Main Street Cafe.

I'm trying to imagine what would have happened to any business person who didn't want to contribute his or her share on any joint program that had majority support. He or she would have been invited to coffee by two or three neighboring entrepreneurs, perhaps, and by the first refill would have already seen the light. Oh, there were a few tightwads around, but their confreres always seemed to find a way to pry open that checkbook.

When business people operated on such a direct, personal plane, it was hard to be a holdout. No one would dare risk getting all of his peers down on him. It was much more practical to succumb to the mutually beneficial pressure than to be considered a jerk in your fellow merchant's eyes. Compare that to the Highland shopping area of today. In general, significant decisions involving association membership, joint promotions and the aforementioned maintenance program are most often made far from the local scene—at some distant home office. In no way can you bring the same kind of pressure to bear. That's what makes volunteerism within the business structure so difficult these days. And that's why the shopping malls have joint promotions, maintenance and the like covered in their tenants' leases. "Cooperation" is thereby assured.

There are ways around that problem, but in a multiple-owner shopping complex like Highland Village or Grand Avenue, it would almost have to include government involvement. The legislation is in place, if anyone wants to take the trouble of trying that route. Generally speaking, there's a great reluctance on the part of business people to rely on that tool unless absolutely necessary. But isn't it becoming more clear why "volunteerism" was so much more workable 50 years ago than it is today?

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As I was finishing this opus, I allowed myself the distraction of Dave Moore's 6:00 p.m. news in the background. My ears perked up when Moore announced that Jesse Jackson had arrived in the Twin Cities to pray for rain—and to criticize the federal government for its inaction. You don't suppose he was suggesting a cabinet meeting on the White House lawn with President Reagan offering a similar prayer....*arrivederci*.

The Village Post



Give a tree a drink

Dear editor:

While many of us might thoroughly enjoy the warm, dry weather we have had this spring and summer, it is taking its toll on our trees. Although the city technically owns the trees on our boulevards, it does not have the resources to water them. And there are no resources to replace them if they die.

All trees are in need of watering, but I would like to urge people to see to it that the young trees on their blocks are watered. Without watering they are not likely to survive the drought.

Place your hose at the base of the tree and run it at a slight trickle for four hours. This should be done once a week until we've had a good rain.

Our organization is hoping that people will pitch in and help neighbors who don't have enough hose to reach the trees on the boulevards. We hope that we'll see bright green rings around boulevard trees on blocks throughout the area!

Tom Kayser, President
District 14 Community Council

Correcting a column

Dear sir:

The St. Paul Tenants Union and I want to correct one piece of information in my column (*Highland Villager*, May 11) summarizing the 1988 Legislature's final actions.

The 1988 Legislature did totally restore the renter's credit for 1987. However, the amount renters will receive in future years will depend on your age, income, disability status, how many dependents you have, and how much property tax

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your landlord pays. I did vote to restore full funding for the renter's credit program for future years, but the final version which became law provides better future benefits for some but lesser future benefits for others. I will continue to advocate full renter's credit restoration when this issue is before the Legislature again in 1989.

Howard Orenstein
State Representative, District 64B

Supporting Mann for Senate

To the editor,

I'm writing this letter in support of the candidacy of Polly Mann for U.S. Senate.

Polly has been my friend for over 25 years. She is a woman of intelligence, vigor and courage. She had been politically active for 15 years before I knew her and has been active ever since. She is committed to people, especially those who traditionally have little control over what happens to their lives. This commitment has been consistent in her private and public life in all the years I have known her.

Polly has important things to say about the economy, the environment and people. Please listen to her.

Carol A. Schnepf
1795 Sargent Ave.

Grand Old denouement

To the editor:

I have just returned from spending six hours on Grand Avenue in St. Paul attending Grand Old Day. I've always thought people were pretty wonderful and my day there confirms that.

The children's parade and the big parade were great. The bands and the other music were outstanding. There were plays, games, square dancing, races, jugglers and magicians. Never have I seen so many happy people.

How thrilling it is when whole families can have a good time together. There must have been thousands of children and I never saw a single one cry! There were people in wheelchairs, and people with canes and crutches. They were happy, too, and obviously wanted very much to be there.

A bigger thrill was seeing people greeting friends and be-

ing happy about it. Even nicer, in my case, is standing with people I did not know, and becoming acquainted with them.

Dorothea Merritt
19005 N. 12th Ave.
Plymouth

Heliport raises concerns

Dear editor:

Most residents of the Merriam Park, South St. Anthony Park and Midway-Newell Park areas view their communities as residential neighborhoods. Recent proposals for an adult entertainment establishment and a helicopter airport clearly show that many other people, elected officials among them, see these neighborhoods as a "dead zone" industrial area.

It certainly is true that much of this area is zoned industrial and used for industrial purposes. However, over the years, the Merriam Park-Midway area has changed from a heavy industrial site to one more suited for clean, light industrial, warehouse and commercial uses.

We were successful in stopping the adult entertainment facility at 2124 W. University Ave. However, a new development proposal has begun a new controversy.

The Condor Corporation proposes to put a "heliport" at the current site of Dart Transit on Cleveland at University. Condor plans to use this site for Life Link, an emergency medical helicopter service, and the KSTP news helicopter. This site is zoned I-1, which allows heliports subject to a special condition use permit. The permit requires that the developer meet certain land use conditions and that a public hearing be held.

The city of St. Paul has instituted a moratorium on the establishment of heliports. This was done because the Metropolitan Council initiated a regional heliport study and because city staff felt that the results of that study could be used to improve our current zoning code requirements on heliports. The moratorium is scheduled to end in October. However, Councilmember Goswitz has introduced a resolution to end the moratorium now, so that Condor's proposal can proceed swiftly. (The resolution has been referred to the City Council's Housing and Economic Development Committee, which will discuss the merits of lifting the moratorium at 1:30 p.m. on June 22 in Room 707 of City Hall.)

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St. Paul Police Chief William McCutcheon (left) and City Councilmember Bob Long (right) awarded certificates of appreciation last week to Highland area residents David and Sheila Leventhal and Jeffrey Rovie (center). The trio thwarted an armed robbery outside the Highland Bank

on the evening of Saturday, May 21. David, an instructor in judo, was making the night deposit at the time for a local restaurant he manages. He wrestled the masked gunman to the ground, and with help from Sheila and Rovie, disarmed him and held him until police arrived.

PHOTO BY MIKE LONG

Letters (cont'd from page 6)

There has been much debate about how this heliport would benefit our community. Neighbors in the Newell Park area are concerned because they are already exposed to too much noise from the railroad on the north. Preliminary flight plans for the helicopters also seem to negatively impact the Everett Court and South St. Anthony neighborhoods, which suffer from Highway 280 traffic noise. If the flight paths are redirected to the south, Merriam Park, Iris Park and Desnoyer Park will be impacted. These neighborhoods already get a lot of noise from I-94.

Questions have also been raised about the city's ability to stop future increases in flights. Condor plans to only have four or five flights a day (one flight equals one takeoff and one landing), but is there a mechanism for the city to control future growth? Can the city prohibit night flights? Who can regulate the height of the flights? Can the city prohibit the use of twin-engine helicopters, which are safer, but also

noisier? Can the city shut down the heliport if the special condition use permit stipulations are violated? Should public dollars from the Port Authority or the city be used to assist this controversial development? All these questions and more need to be answered and analyzed by our community.

So far, the St. Anthony Park Community Council has voted not to support the heliport because they feel it is not compatible with the neighborhood and its plans for University Avenue. However, the mayor has indicated his support for the proposal as have several of the other council members. Because of the medical nature of the heliport, some people believe the proposal is justified. I need to hear what you think. Can our neighborhoods bear the increased noise? Is this the most appropriate and best use of this site?

Kiki Sonnen
City Council member, Ward 4

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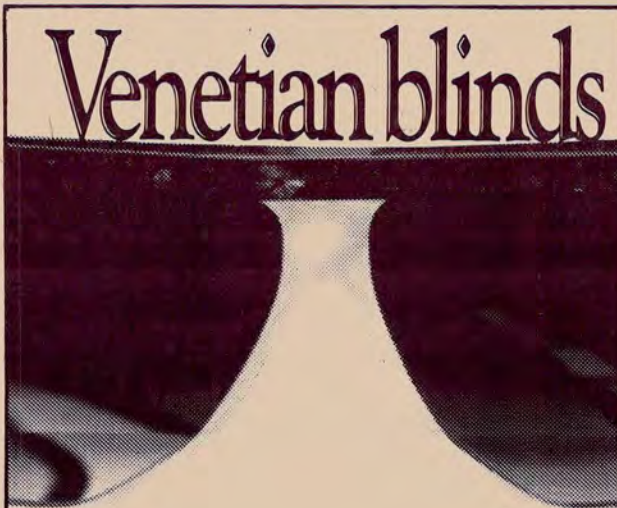
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One last graduation

After sending off 5,300 grads, Metro State registrar is ready for her own exit

by Arlene Appelbaum

In 1976, at the age of 50, Phyllis Lee not only received her college diploma from the St. Paul-based Metropolitan State University, she also handed them out to her fellow students.

"During the ceremony, I got my degree exactly like the others," Lee said. "I handed out all the diplomas until there was one left. I gave it to Dr. (David) Sweet, the president, and then walked across the stage when he called my name. I think I was the only graduate he ever gave a kiss on the cheek."

She earned that distinction by being both a student at Metropolitan State and the school's registrar. Sweet himself had hired Lee as registrar when the innovative institution of higher education opened in 1971. Metropolitan State College, as it was known then, had been authorized by the state Legislature to grant the B.A. degree, and it received \$350,000 to begin operations.

"Metropolitan State, from the beginning, was created for people like me," said Lee, who lives at 1181 Edgumbe Road, "people who never finished college and were now ready to learn in a more flexible and personal way." Part of that flexibility included giving students credit for experiences in life.

But before Lee went after her own degree (she had attended the University of Minnesota for three years before getting married), there was much work to be done to set the school on its feet.



Phyllis Lee, registrar at Metropolitan State University.

"We were about six or seven people with this dream, and we had a small office near Northwestern Bank when the skyway was being built that summer of 1971," she said. By December, when the staff had grown to nearly 20, the college had moved its headquarters to a location above Walgreen's Drug Store on 7th and Wabasha streets. Fifty students were admitted

to the school in February 1972, and a year later there were 12 students in the first graduating class.

The college soon relocated to the lower level of Metro Square in downtown St. Paul and then, in July 1974, to the main floor of that building. "We have spread to the second floor and across and down the hall," Lee said. "We've grown like Topsy."

I've seen 5,300 graduates while I've been here."

Metropolitan State recently took a major step forward when the Legislature appropriated \$1.3 million for the college to purchase land and buildings at the St. John's Hospital site on St. Paul's East Side. Plans are to build a new administrative-student services center there, and to move in by early 1990.

Besides its downtown St. Paul location, the school also has office and classroom space in the Hennepin Center for the Arts. In keeping with its commitment to serve the community, Lee said, most of Metropolitan State's classes meet "anywhere from libraries, hospitals, government buildings and the Walker Art Center to churches and synagogues. Mount Zion Temple is one of the main spaces in St. Paul."

The school employs 20 resident faculty members and draws on a pool of 400 "community faculty" members, most of whom are working professionals who periodically lead classes in their area of expertise.

Everyone who applies to the school is evaluated by the faculty. "Each applicant must have at least two years of college credits," Lee said, "and then we take a look at other life experiences—such as civic contributions, work and volunteer time—which possibly are valuable for credit."

"We made the policy as we went along in the early days, because not everything stu-

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Concordia College attracting older students with 15-month B.A. degree

by Roger Fuller

In an effort to reach out to more adult students, Concordia College three years ago began offering an innovative way for older students to complete their college degree.

The School of Adult Learning at Concordia offers a bachelor's degree in organizational behavior and communications to students who are at least 25 years old, have completed their first two years of college or the equivalent, and are able to attend a four-hour class once a week for 15 months.

The unique and most appealing aspect of the program is that the students start out as a group and continue their courses together until they graduate.

"It's a great way to learn," said Jeanette Clonkey, who graduated this spring. "When you're together in the same group for 15 months, you get to know the other students. They become a support group for you."

The program is not for everyone, according to Curt Brandhorst, director of the program. "We appeal to the highly motivated adult student," he said. "Our typical student is a 37-year-old who has done well in business but needs a bachelor's degree in order to reach the next level of career advancement."

Jean Rock, the marketing coordinator for the program, said about 15 different groups ranging in size from 12 to 20 students are currently in session. She explained how it works. "We call an orientation meeting and ask the students where and when they would like to meet," she said. "When enough people can agree on a place and time, we form a class." A new group forms about once a month, she added.

Mike Sindt, who lives in the Highland area, completed the program last year. "I went to the first orientation meeting three years ago, when the program started," he said. "I couldn't start then because they wanted to meet on a weeknight and I had to go on a Saturday. After about nine months the school called and told me a group was meeting on Saturdays."

The degree in organizational behavior and communications is currently the only major offered through the program. "This course stresses people skills," Brandhorst said. "The lawyer, accountant and engineer all perform valuable functions for a corporation, but they might not be the best people to motivate others. Motivating people and getting them to work together harmoni-

ously is what leadership is all about."

Dorothy Green, who works in the state's Occupational Health and Safety Administration, said the interaction between the students is the most interesting part of the program. Clonkey agreed. "In class you hear from people with experience ranging from medicine to Federal Reserve work to construction," she said. "They all have something to contribute because they are working in their fields."

The style of instruction differs from the lecture method used in most undergraduate programs, in which the instructor reviews the students' homework and makes new assignments. At Concordia's School of Adult Learning, classes are conducted like graduate seminars. The professor leads a discussion with the assumption that the students have done their assigned readings.

Sindt, a Hennepin County corrections officer, said the program definitely paid off for him.

"It's nice to have the name Concordia College behind you," he said. "It's been here almost a 100 years. When I applied at Hamline University Law School, I put down Concordia College and had no trouble at all."

Phyllis Lee

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dents used for admission was necessarily from accredited schools," she explained. "We did research. For example, if an airline pilot wanted to use prior experience, we'd check schools such as North Dakota or Iowa that actually taught those things." She said they also learned a lot from the American Council on Education, which deals with experiential learning.

Over the years, they have become more adept at assigning value to particular kinds of experience. For instance, the school's community faculty now includes state legislators who have been called on to investigate applicants' claims to be competent in various civic duties. The legislators, Lee said, "can check very accurately whether someone really does have that learning."

The school has changed in other significant ways over the past 17 years. "We've gotten so that we offer 200 courses, plus there are regular, designed independent studies, and students can take courses at other places, such as the University of Minnesota or (the College of) St. Thomas, and have the credits transferred in," she said.

Metropolitan State now offers a bachelor's degree in nursing and a master of management and administration degree, and is hoping to be able to offer three new B.A. degrees soon.

Through the years, Lee has presided over 41 graduation ceremonies. On June 25, she will oversee her 42nd and last graduation. Lee, a 62-year-old grandmother, has

decided to retire as of August 19.

The June 25 ceremony will feature the largest class—335 students—ever to graduate from Metropolitan State. Lee has fond memories of many graduates over the years.

Previous graduating classes, she said, have included "husbands and wives, mothers and sons. Lots of times parents waited to go back to school because of a lack of money or time, and then graduated with their children. I also remember the oldest, a 73-year-old man. There was a lot of emotion as he and his little wife—about 5 feet tall with gray hair—cried together during the ceremony."

No doubt a lot of graduates remember Lee. In 17 years, she said, she has handled everything from "policy-making to planning holiday parties to taking care of graduation details, including getting the space, speakers, diplomas and medallions, and telling Minnesota State University System chancellors what to do during the ceremony."

Lee gives much of the credit for Metropolitan State's success to the "tremendous feeling of giving that was set by Dr. Sweet and Dr. G. Theodore Miteau," both founders of the school. "And this vision has been carried on by President Dr. Reatha Clark King for the past 12 years," Lee added.

Lee's own decision to obtain a degree from Metropolitan State says something about that spirit of giving.

"I wanted my degree for myself and was encouraged

by Dr. Sweet," she said. "I could have stayed on as registrar without the B.A., but I couldn't tell others to do what I didn't do myself. It had to ring true when I said that credentials mean a lot and that doors open for people with degrees."

She finished the one year of college she still needed in less than a year's time, which is unusual at Metropolitan State, where students ordinarily take several years to complete their studies. Lee earned a B.A. with a focus on psychology.

"I can identify with students who work full time, and most do," Lee said. "It's hard, but they're very motivated and demand a lot from teachers and themselves."

With retirement looming so close, Lee looks forward to demanding a little less from herself. "I want to be free," she said, "not be locked into so many things." She plans to play more golf and to go bowling more often, to give informal lessons in crocheting and knitting ("which I learned at my mother's knee"), to travel, and to continue her avid reading.

She also looks forward to taking part in more activities with her husband, Howard, and her siblings. "I'm the youngest of 10 and many of them bowl together, almost like a league, every Friday morning," she said.

And if she ever thinks of going back to Metropolitan State for another degree, all that additional experience will no doubt come in handy.

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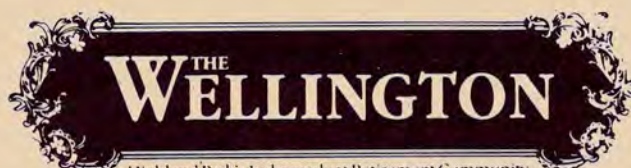
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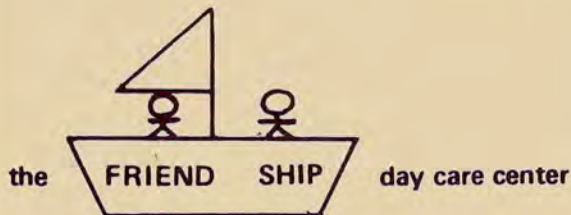
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The HBA Today

by Constance M. Wittek, Executive Director
Highland Business Association

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers from throughout the Highland area are being solicited this week to assist with watering the young boulevard trees in Highland Village. On Saturday, June 25, the city of St. Paul will, for the second time this month, open the hydrants in Highland Village and attach fittings so that regular garden hoses can be used. Since the water pressure is so great, as many as 20 trees can be watered at one time from one hydrant—given sufficient volunteers and hoses. Someone with a pickup truck is also being sought to haul water to trees that can't be reached by hose. A plastic water tank owned by Ford Motor Company has been made available to assist in the hauling.

Those who would like to help out are invited to report for duty to anyone carrying hoses on the boulevards at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. Some crews will begin work at the west end of Ford Parkway and move eastward up to Howell Street. Others will be tackling Cleveland between Hillcrest and Bayard avenues. For more information, call Connie Wittek at 699-9042.

VOLUNTEERS THANKED

Eighteen selfless Highland volunteers worked long and hard in watering the trees and planters in Highland Village on Saturday, June 11. Those people, some of whom started watering at 6:00 a.m., deserve this community's thanks for their efforts to save the nearly 400 young trees and over 800 shrubs as well as the marigolds that were planted this spring by the Ramsey County Garden Club. The watering crew included: Lee and Jerry Shannon, Charlotte Mueller, Eileen Casey and her son Tom, Dorice Van Vorst, Heinz Iwen and her son Eric, and Rosemary Prihoda-Pucci, all from the Ramsey County Garden Club. From the Highland Business Association were Lois Hodgins, Ginger McCauley, Rick Ducharme, Terri Fleming, Mark Kafka and Connie Wittek. Also helping from the community were residents Bill Barton, Justin Ducharme and Vickie Vars.

Volunteers brought along their own hoses and, miraculously, everyone got his own back. Hoses were also lent by the Highland Library, Hillcrest Rec Center and the Stuart Corporation (the management company for the Highland Shopping Center). Thanks to all!

ADOPT A TREE (OR PLANTER)

Recognizing the severe drought condition that now exists in the Twin Cities, many area businesses are doing a superb job watering the landscaping in front of their places of business with bucketsful from the sinks in their shops. However, the buckets of water are probably not providing enough moisture for any young trees, which require a slow soaking with a garden hose every week.

With a huge investment in young trees that were planted as part of the Highland Village Improvement Project, the HBA earlier this spring undertook the task of locating an outside vendor to water both the planters and the boulevard trees throughout the Village. It now looks as though the HBA might have someone who can do a quick watering of planters once a week. However, arrangements for watering the trees have thus far proven unsuccessful. Therefore, the HBA is now asking business people in Highland Village to assume

the responsibility for giving the boulevard trees adjacent to their property a thorough soaking with a hose. The city's forestry division recommends that any tree under 8 years old (the Village's are about 2½) receive 20 minutes of water from a hose each week. The Village has already lost some of the shrubs to the drought; the loss of trees would be far more expensive.

The HBA has started compiling a list of businesses that have the capability of watering nearby trees. Others who can assume that responsibility during this crisis situation are asked to call HBA executive director Connie Wittek at 699-9042.

WIN BORDEN TO SPEAK

The Highland Business Association will welcome Win Borden, a Highland area resident and president of the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, as the guest speaker at the June general meeting. Highland area business people will gather at noon on Thursday, June 23, at the Caravan Serai Restaurant, 2046 Pinehurst Ave., for lunch and an address by Borden on "Issues Facing St. Paul Businesses."

An attorney and former state senator from the Brainerd area, Borden now heads Minnesota's largest business advocacy group. The Minnesota Chamber currently represents some 5,500 firms statewide, as well as community chambers and trade and professional associations. He also narrates a daily radio editorial program called "Minnesota Business Viewpoints," which is aired on 82 stations throughout the state.

UPCOMING MEETINGS SET

Upcoming Highland Fest Planning Committee meetings have been scheduled for June 30, July 7 and July 21. The group has begun alternating between 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. meetings. Those who are interested in helping the committee plan this year's summer celebration are invited to call Connie Wittek to find out the time and location.

The committee is seeking at this time the interest of anyone—local resident or business person—who would like to put in a few fun-filled hours at the HBA's Highland Fest food and refreshment stand. It's a great way to enjoy the fest, meet some neighbors and pitch in to make the event a success. Those who would like to volunteer are asked to call Lois Hodgins of Intimate Fashions at 690-0182.

The HBA board of directors will next convene at 8:00 a.m. Thursday, July 14, in the Board Room at the Highland Bank.

All HBA members are encouraged to mark both the June 23 and July 28 general meetings on their calendars. The July gathering is being billed as "A Picnic in the Park." Complete information will be sent out in the July HBA newsletter.

FESTIVAL PLANNING CONTINUES

Plans for Highland Fest '88 are now rapidly falling into place. This year's three-day art, music and food festival will include some new and exciting additions. The Entertainment Committee has all the big names booked and is now working to arrange for nearly continuous entertainment throughout the weekend. Special events in addition to the annual favorites like the Water Tower Run, the Softball Tourney and the Kiddie Parade will include "Kiddieland," a special area designated for children's entertainment and activities.

Highland Fest '88 is expected to feature an even more diverse menu of culinary delights from local food vendors, and the brisk pace with which registrations are coming in suggests that the creations of more than 150 artists and craftspeople will provide fest-goers with an even higher-quality art show and sale this year.

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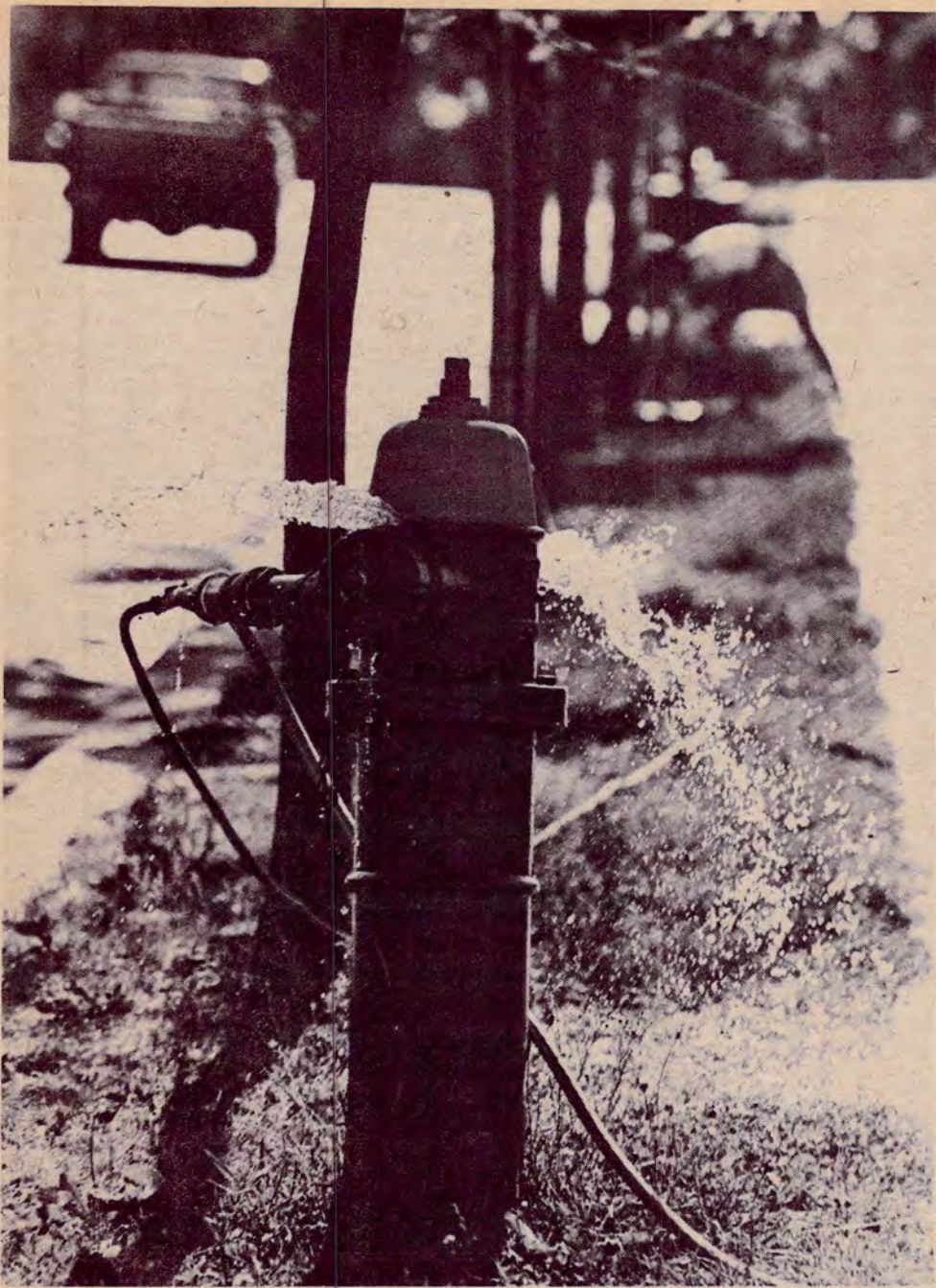


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Thirsty trees in Highland Village were treated to a much-needed drink on June 11, when fire hydrants were fitted with garden hoses so volunteers could water the parched trees. Volunteers are asked to come out again this Saturday, June 25, when the hydrants will be opened for two to three hours beginning at 8:30 a.m. Anyone wishing to help out is asked to report for duty to anyone carrying hoses on the Ford Parkway boulevards and on Cleveland between Hillcrest and Bayard avenues.

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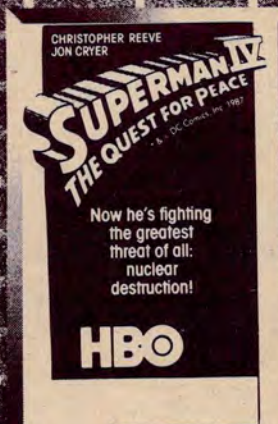
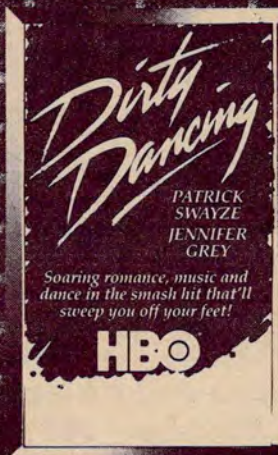
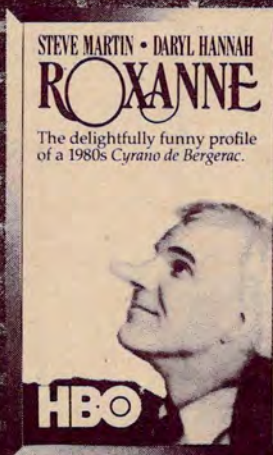
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District 14 Community Council News

PLAN WILL SAVE TREES

The June meeting of the District 14 Community Council's board of directors was held Thursday, June 16. Discussion of city policies for saving trees on blocks where street and sewer work is being done topped the agenda. The community council will suggest to the mayor and City Council members that policies be developed that will place a very high priority on saving trees.

There was concern expressed over the apparent assumption by city street design people that street reconstruction should involve new curbing, even if the new curbing results in loss of trees. Recently, most of the mature trees on St. Clair Avenue between Snelling and Cretin avenues were marked for removal because it was assumed they would be severely damaged when curbs were removed in conjunction with the reconstruction of the street.

Public uproar over the loss of those trees and a meeting on the matter with City Councilman Bob Long have resulted in a modified design. The trees will be saved by leaving the curbing intact adjacent to the trees (resulting in "patched" curbs). It was clear that Mac-Groveland residents do prefer trees to nice new curbs and that the patched alternatives should have been considered from the inception of the project.

In a related matter, trees in the 2000 block of Fairmount Avenue were also slated for removal in connection with sewer work that will be done on that block. Although city staff initially said there was nothing that could be done to save those trees, it was later learned that the trees wouldn't need to be cut down if costly trenchbox or shoring methods were employed, which allow for worker safety in a narrower trench.

The mayor was unwilling to authorize an initial estimate of \$25,000 for the trenchbox in order to save the eight mature trees on that block. Councilmember Kiki Sonnen, however, told the District 14 council that the cost has been revised to \$15,000 and that the mayor has authorized the

lower cost, so the trees on Fairmount will not be cut down after all.

The District 14 Community Council's board of directors unanimously favors adoption of city policies that preserve trees in all instances except where safety is a factor.

BRIGADE FORMED TO WATER TREES

Trees have long been important to Macalester-Groveland residents and to the District 14 Community Council. Hundreds have been planted through donations to the community council's Regreening and Conservation Fund and Neighborhood Partnership Program grants from the city. One NPP grant paid for trees in the Grand Avenue commercial area. Another paid for young trees on the Summit median, and on Grand, Hamline and St. Clair avenues. Concern that these trees have not been adequately watered during the recent hot, dry weather resulted in a volunteer tree watering project on June 11.



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A watering brigade composed of Steve Weber, Carl and Kay Englund, Gaius Nelson, Eric Watkins, Dick Barrett, James Pillow and Kathie Tarnowski connected garden hoses to fire hydrants to give many of the young trees a badly needed drink. Arrangements are now being made to complete the job in the next week.

In the meantime, residents are urged to water the boulevard trees on their block. While the mature trees are being seriously stressed by the drought, the young trees are not likely to survive it. And there's no money to replace them.

Residents and businesses are asked to stretch a garden hose to the base of the tree and run the hose at a slight trickle for four hours once a week. Do not water for less time more often.

SENIOR TRIPS PLANNED

The District 14 Community Council's Living at Home Project was established to help our older neighbors remain in their homes by connecting them with existing services for seniors and supplementing those services with other volunteer services such as shopping and friendly visiting. In addition, the project has been working to develop other events of interest to seniors.

The next planned event will be a trip to Como Park and Bandana Square on Friday, July 22. The cost will be \$3.00, which will not include lunch. The bus will leave the Edgumbe Recreation Center at 12:00 and Groveland at 12:15. It will return to Groveland at 4:30 and Edgumbe at 4:45. This trip is being co-sponsored by the District 14 Community Council and Groveland-Randolph Community Education.

Checks should be mailed to the Community Education office at 1700 Summit Ave. by July 15. For more information, call Chris Rosenthal, District 14 Living at Home coordinator, at 698-7973.

CONSTRUCTION TIMETABLE

Court and legislative mandates to separate sewers in order to reduce pollution of the Mississippi River have resulted in the city's plans to separate its sanitary and storm sewers over 10 years. This means that many streets will be ripped up every construction season. The Macalester-Groveland area will have its share of construction this season.

St. Clair Avenue is under construction now, as is part of Jefferson Avenue between Fairview and Snelling avenues. Snelling will be down to one lane each direction beginning this week for no more than 40 days. Cretin Avenue between Grand and Jefferson will be closed to through traffic for 21 days as soon as the streets west of Cretin are open again. Efforts are being made to coordinate these closings, but there is going to be considerable inconvenience. It will be wise to keep that in mind and plan for driving taking extra time.

DESPERATELY SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

The District 14 Community Council is desperately seeking a volunteer to help with bookkeeping. An added plus would be to find someone willing and able to enter the council's fund accounting system onto the council's IBM-PC computer. The council's Living at Home Project is also looking

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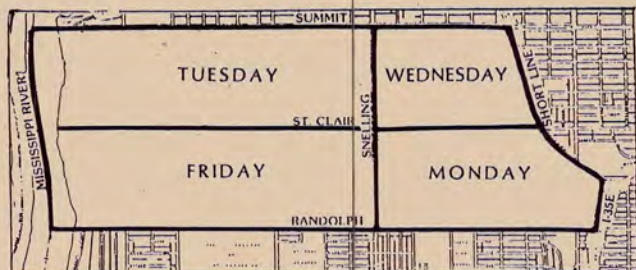


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A sewer catch basin is constructed on St. Clair Avenue a block from Snelling Avenue as part of the city's sewer separation work. Construction on St. Clair between Fairview and Snelling has been completed and the street is awaiting a bituminous finish.

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for more volunteers to visit or assist area senior citizens. And the community council always is looking for people to serve on committees. If you have some time and want to help this community become an even better place to live, call 698-7973.



District 14 recycling days.

RECYCLING NEWS

Recycling pickup in the Macalester-Groveland area has been designed to be as easy as taking out the trash. Pickup is weekly and from the alley if there is one—except for Tangletown where the alleys are too narrow to accommodate large trucks. (See map for day of pickup.)

Recyclables include newspapers, flattened corrugated boxes in pieces no bigger than 3-feet square, paper grocery bags without plastic handles, all non-glossy paper, cardboard food containers that are grey or brown on the inside, metal food and beverage containers without labels, aluminum cans and trays, metal items without motors no larger than 3-feet square, glass containers free of lids and sorted by color, car batteries, and motor oil in containers with tight-fitting lids.

During the week of July 4, pickups will be one day late. For more information, give the District 14 Community Council office a call at 698-7973.

Kowalski's grocery store begins program to help area food shelves

Kowalski's Country Store at Lexington Parkway and University Avenue, owned by Jim and Maryanne Kowalski of 1415 Summit Ave., is joining Westonka Foods in Mound to begin a new program this month to help keep area food shelves stocked year-round.

The pilot program, called Food Shelf RoundUP, is being conducted by Kowalski's and Westonka Foods in cooperation with Catholic Charities and the Minnesota Grocers Association.

Shoppers at the stores' checkout lanes will have the option of rounding up their total bills and donating the

difference to their neighborhood food shelves. For example, if a customer were to pay a \$48.34 grocery tab with a \$50 bill or check, he or she could round up and donate the difference. The extra money would then be deposited in receptacles at the stores.

Catholic Charities will collect the funds from the grocery stores and distribute vouchers to food shelves in the neighborhood.

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TREASURER, SECRETARY ELECTED

The election of a new treasurer and secretary, approval of a basketweave-pattern stop sign system in grid 5 and consideration of several land-use issues topped the agenda at the June 9 meeting of the Highland Area Community Council Board of Directors.

Eve Gillis Stein, who serves on the district council's Community Development Committee and represents the council on the Ayd Mill Road Task Force, was elected treasurer. The new secretary is Gretchen Lennon, a member of the council's Human Services Committee and the St. Paul Neighborhood Energy Consortium.

The Highland Area Community Council is also seeking interested residents to fill a grid vacancy at the next board meeting, scheduled for Thursday, July 14. The term will expire in March 1990. For more information, call the HACC office at 690-0866.



District 15

NEW STOP SIGNS APPROVED

The board also recommended installing a pair of stop signs at every other intersection in grid 5, the area bounded by Edgumbe Road and Randolph and Hamline avenues. Residents of the area were informed of the proposal last fall and a public meeting was held to gauge support for the proposal.

Based on the neighborhood's favorable response to the plan, the HACC board will ask the city's Public Works Department to install the signs within the next few months.

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VARIANCE REQUESTS CONSIDERED

Richard Stauble of 1905 Field Ave. came before the board to ask for a side-yard variance of 5 feet to permit construction of a garage. City codes call for a 7-foot setback on the side yard, and Stauble is requesting a 2-foot setback. The neighbor adjacent to the garage has expressed some concerns about the variance, so the board recommended tabling the matter for a month to see if Stauble and his neighbor can work out a compromise.

The board recommended approval of a variance request made by Mark Moeller, 1751 Bohland Ave. He had asked for a setback variance for an attached garage. A 25-foot setback is required, and Moeller wanted a 9-foot-9-inch setback. If the garage were not attached to the house it could be built with a 1-foot setback, but Moeller explained that the slope of the alley and the placement of neighboring garages would make it difficult to use the garage if there were a 1-foot setback.

TAX-INCREMENT FINANCING OKAYED

The board also voted in favor of granting tax-increment financing status to a five-acre parcel located between Stewart Avenue and Shepard Road. The Stuart Corporation is considering developing the parcel for commercial and office use.

Tax-increment financing may be granted by the city to areas that would be extremely costly to develop. The five-acre parcel, with a rock base just below the surface, is such an area.

RECYCLING RECORD SET

Some 1,700 Highland households participated in the June 13 recycling pickup, and a record 38.5 tons of recyclables were collected. Pickups are made on the second and fourth Monday of each month. Upcoming dates are June 27 and July 11. Recyclables should be placed at curbside by 7:00 a.m. on the day of pickup. If you have any questions about the program, call 644-7022.

Gym club offers summer program

The St. Anthony Park Gymnastics Club is now taking registration for its six-week summer program. Classes are available at all skill levels for boys 4 to 8 years old and girls 4 to 11. Program locations include Ramsey Junior High School and St. Anthony Park Elementary School. For more information, call Esther Kellogg at 645-6006 or Jane McHattie at 645-0600.

CST opens pool to neighborhood

The College of St. Thomas is once again sponsoring neighborhood swim nights this summer.

The annual neighborhood swimming program began June 13, and will continue through Friday, July 29. The O'Shaughnessy Pool will be open from 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. Monday through Friday (except holidays) at a cost of 50 cents for children 16 and under and \$1.00 for adults.

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DFLers give unexpected support to independent Mann's Senate bid

by Roger Fuller

Polly Mann received 24 percent of the votes at the recent state Democratic Farmer Labor Party convention in the endorsement contest for the U.S. Senate race, even though she plans to run in the November election as an independent.

Mann, a Highland resident, lost the DFL endorsement to Attorney General Hubert Humphrey III.

Some of Mann's convention support came from backers of presidential candidate Jesse Jackson. "I got support from some Jackson delegates," Mann said. "I also got a lot of votes from people not for Jackson who didn't want Humphrey."

Mann's candidacy is based primarily on liberal issues, the most prominent of which is her pledge to seek reductions in defense spending. She is a co-founder of Women Against Military Madness.

Senator Dave Durenberger, Humphrey's major opponent in November, fared better at the state Independent Republican convention even though he and Humphrey share a similar vulnerability within their own parties. The conservative IR members tend not to be enthusiastic about Durenberger in somewhat the same way that liberal DFLers are lukewarm about Humphrey.

When Durenberger's name was presented to the convention, however, he was endorsed unanimously. He also had support of conservative presidential candidate Pat Robertson, who spoke at the convention. About one-third of the IR Party in Minnesota was supportive of Robertson until George Bush clinched the party's nomination.

Mann said she intends to campaign throughout the state until the November election. "In the metro area, it's difficult getting coverage in the papers or on the air," she said. "In the smaller

towns, it's a lot different. They act glad to see you."

Mann's plan to run as an independent provides a unique twist that has not been seen in recent times. Other DFLers have challenged the dominate candidate at the state convention and later taken their case to the voters. However, they have entered the September primary, not the November election.

In several recent instances, the showings of the candidates in September have roughly paralleled their results in June. In 1970, Earl Craig, who later became Democratic national committeeman, obtained 21 percent of the votes when he challenged Hubert Humphrey for the DFL endorsement for U.S. Senate. That September he collected 16 percent.

In 1978, John Connolly collected 25 percent when he challenged Wendell Anderson for the U.S. Senate at the convention and 32 percent when he ran in the primary. That same year, Alice Tripp had 18 percent when she challenged Rudy Perpich for the gubernatorial endorsement. In September, she had 20 percent.

In Mann's case, her 24 percent would not transfer the same way to the general election because Republicans and independents will be participating as well as DFLers. Also, those who might vote for an unendorsed candidate in a primary might hesitate to do so in a general election.

The only instance in recent times where a third-party independent candidate made an impact in a statewide election was in 1974, when James Miles campaigned against both major parties and collected 5 percent of the vote in November in his race for governor.

In 1982, when Durenberger last ran for the Senate, his margin of victory over Mark Dayton was 53 to 47 percent. Preliminary polls this year

have given Durenberger a margin over Humphrey as high as 19 points, but this is expected to shrink during the campaign.

In addition to endorsing Senate candidates, the two parties also picked delegates to the national conventions to supplement those already selected at the district conventions. Several St. Paul residents were chosen.

At the Independent Republican convention, Frank Graves, Republican national committeeman, and Margaret Johnson, a College of St. Thomas student who is chairwoman of the Minnesota College Republicans, were elected to go to the national convention in New Orleans in August.

At the DFL convention, Rick Scott and Barb Metzger were elected as Michael Dukakis delegates to the national convention in Atlanta in July. Rick Cardenas and Sharon Day were elected as Jesse Jackson delegates. Paula Maccabee and Jan Foley were elected Dukakis alternates and Keith Gann was elected as a Jackson alternate.

In the party official category, two St. Paul residents were elected. They are Mayor George Latimer, an early supporter of Dukakis, and state Republican Andy Dawkins, a Jackson supporter.

Fare Share food project seeks help

Fare Share, the non-profit food distribution project of Ramsey Action Programs, is seeking volunteers to help with light warehouse work and the bagging and sorting of foodstuffs, fruit and vegetables at its warehouse, 807 Hampden Ave.

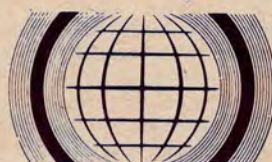
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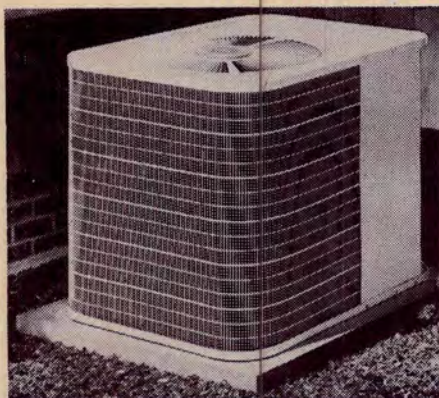
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June 22

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AN INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM course will continue tonight at the Temple of Aaron, 616 S. Mississippi River Blvd. The course, scheduled from 7:30 to 9:30 on Wednesdays through August 31, will cover Jewish holidays, history and philosophy, Shabbat, kashrut and anti-Semitism. For more information, call Rabbi Jonathan H. Ginsburg at 698-8874.

THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE of the Spina Bifida Association will be held today through June 24 at the Radisson-St. Paul Hotel. Spina Bifida is the number-one disabling birth defect and occurs when a child's spine fails to close. Mayors George Latimer and Dona Fraser will host a fund-raising luncheon on June 23 and singers Michael Johnson, Joseph Baird and Gene Cotton will be in concert that evening. Over 40 sessions will be offered during the conference. For more information, call 341-4110.

June 23

BETH JACOB CONGREGATION will hold its annual meeting tonight at 7:00. It will be the congregation's first official function in its new synagogue, located at Highway 110 and Hunter Lane. The meeting will include an address by Rabbi Morris Allen, the annual report by President Bernard Sweet, and the election of new trustees. A tour will follow. For more information, call 699-9003.

THE KEY WAKOTA CHARTER CHAPTER of the American Business Women's Association will have its June dinner meeting this evening at Southview Country Club, 239 E. Mendota Rd. The social hour will begin at 5:30 followed by dinner at 6:30. The agenda for the meeting will be career exchange night and the celebration of the eighth year of the chapter. Program speaker Mary Beth Crowley will give a slide presentation on the Vietnam Women's Memorial Project. The cost is \$2.00 for just the meeting and \$10 for the dinner and meeting. To make reservations, call Diane Fortney at 455-3361.

June 25

BEACH PARTY '88, a fun-filled day of volleyball, frisbee demonstrations, fun run, best tan, best legs and body-building contests, turbo bike races and aerobic classes, will take place today from 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the east side of Lake Nokomis. Admission is \$2.00. Proceeds will go to help the Minnesota Special Olympics.

ACTUAL FOOTAGE of F-15 tactical air operations at bases around the world will be shown at the Minnesota Air Guard Museum today at 11:00 and 2:00 and tomorrow and June 26 at 2:00 p.m. The museum is located on the Minnesota Air Guard Base, south of Crosstown Highway 62 on Hiawatha Avenue.

THE CENTRAL AMERICA RESOURCE CENTER will hold an open house and old-fashioned ice cream social from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. today at its new location, 1407 N. Cleveland Ave. The event will include a talk at 10:00 by John Linder, brother of the construction volunteer killed last year in the Nicaraguan war. Video shows, Latin American music, pinatas, bookstore door prizes, a salad lunch, and ice cream will also be featured. A \$3.00 donation will be



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asked for the talk. Lunch will cost \$3.00; \$1.50 for children under 12.

THE WONDERS OF AIR will be celebrated from 10:00 to 5:00 today during Air Fair '88 at the Children's Museum in Bandana Square, Lexington Parkway and Energy Park Drive. Hands-on experiences with hot-air balloons, a flying dragon, paper airplanes, bubbles and other air experiments will be featured. All-day tickets cost \$2.00 plus museum admission. For more information, call 644-5305.

FARE SHARE food will be distributed this morning between 10:00 and 11:00 at the Cleveland Avenue Methodist Church. Participants will need a receipt showing they have paid for their food and that they have performed two hours of community service. Registration and payment for the July 23 food pickup can also be made at this time or from noon to 1:00 on July 3 or from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on July 4. Participants will receive meat, fruit, vegetables and staples valued between \$28 to \$35. For more information, call 699-2350.

June 26

A CHAIR CANING DEMONSTRATION will take place today from noon to 5:00 at the Sibley House and Faribault Museums, located on Highway 13 a half-mile north of the Mendota Bridge. Admission is \$2.50 for adults, \$2.00 for senior citizens and \$1.00 for school-age children. For more information, call 452-1596.

A TRIP TO WILLIAM O'BRIEN State Park is scheduled for today for the new St. Paul Jewish singles group, sponsored by the Jewish Community Center, 1375 St. Paul Ave. The trip is free and open to single adults in their 30s and 40s. The group will meet at 10:30 this morning in the JCC parking lot to carpool to the park. Hiking trails and canoe rentals are available and participants will bring their own lunches. Call Miriam at 698-0751 for more information.

THE LAKE STREET CAR SHOW and parade, complete with clowns, puppets, floats and music, will be held today. The vintage cars will be on display in the Brown Institute parking lot at Hiawatha Avenue and East Lake Street beginning at 11:00, and the parade will be at 1:00, cruising from Hiawatha to Chicago Avenue. There will be a number of activities near Bloomington and Chicago avenues, including appearances by clowns, members of In the Heart of the Beast Puppet Theater and Winnie the Pooh characters.

June 27

MIAMI HERALD COLUMNIST Dave Barry, whose fresh and uproarious insights into matters of national import have won for him a Pulitzer Prize, will autograph copies of his new book, *Dave Barry's Greatest Hits*, from 5:00 to 6:00 this evening at Odegard Books St. Paul, 857 Grand Ave. Barry's column appears weekly in more than 100 newspapers nationwide.

CONGRESSMAN BRUCE VENTO will sponsor a senior citizens forum this morning from 10:00 to 11:30 at the World Theater, 10 E. Exchange St. Topics will include Medicare and the new catastrophic health-care plan. Local police will be on hand to give helpful

hints on how senior citizens can protect themselves and their homes against crimes.

June 28

TEACHERS AT THE NEW Friends School of Minnesota will be introduced in an open house beginning at 7:00 tonight at the school, located at 3325 E. Minnehaha Pkwy. The school's curriculum will also be explained, and tours of the facility will follow the program. Scheduled to open in September, the Friends School is an alternative Quaker elementary school for kindergartners through 3rd-graders. For more information, call 870-1501.

A FREE SEMINAR ON BUSINESS LOANS, sponsored by the St. Paul Service Corps of Retired Executives, will be held from 10:00 a.m. to noon today at the St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce, Suite 600, North Central Tower, 445 Minnesota St. The seminar will assist people in obtaining financing to start or expand a business. For more information, call 223-5010.

INVESTMENT ALTERNATIVES, the power of compounding, and the effects of tax law changes are some of the topics that will be addressed in free, hour-long financial information seminars beginning at 10:00 a.m., 4:00 and 6:45 p.m. today at Cherokee State Bank, 985 Grand Ave. For reservations, call 227-7071 by June 24.

June 29

JEWISH LITURGY will be studied from several perspectives in "And I Am My Prayer," a class that will meet from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. on five Wednesdays starting today at the Talmud Torah of St. Paul, 636 S. Mississippi River Blvd. The fee is \$7.00. For more information or to register, call 698-8807 or 698-0751.

ALBERT VORSPAN, director of the Commission on Social Action of Reform Judaism, will address "A Jewish Political Agenda" tonight at the annual meeting of the United Jewish Fund and Council. Free and open to the public, the meeting will begin at 7:30 at the Jewish Community Center, 1375 St. Paul Ave. For reservations, call 690-1707. Vorspan, a native of St. Paul, received the Allard Lowenstein Memorial Award in 1984 from the American Jewish Congress in recognition of his contributions to social justice.

July 1

THE 25TH SEASON OF "DOCTOR WHO," the British science fiction series that plays on KTCV-TV, will be celebrated at the North American Time Festival, a three-day convention opening today at the St. Paul Radisson Hotel, 11 E. Kellogg Blvd. "Who" actors Jon Pertwee and Janet Fielding and a "Who" historian are the featured guests at the festival, which will include an art show and auction, panel discussions, a cabaret, role-playing games, costume and trivia contests, and a dealers room. For more information, call 827-7000.

THE SIXTH ANNUAL Taste of Minnesota, offering four days of food, entertainment and fireworks, will be staged on the

grounds of the state Capitol today through Monday, July 4. Forty Minnesota restaurants will be serving their specialties in sample-size and full-meal portions daily from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. The festival will also include free concerts each day. Three Dog Night will perform at 5:30 and 8:30 p.m. on July 1. Performing at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. will be Exile, July 2; Don McLean, July 3; and Helen Reddy, July 4. Because the 4th of July falls on a Monday this year, the annual fireworks display will be presented at 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 2. As with last year's show, the fireworks will be staged as a "sky concert," set to music that will be broadcast on WLOL Radio.

July 4

A 30-MINUTE BARRAGE of fireworks, nearly 2,000 shells, will be sent skyward from the grandstand infield beginning at 10:00 tonight, topping off a full evening of musical entertainment on the Minnesota state fairgrounds. The Rockin' Hollywoods will perform at 6:00, 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00 at the Bandshell, and Johnny Holm's Traveling Fun Show will appear at the same times on the Baldwin Park Stage. The Anoka High School Marching Band will play at 8:00 and 9:00 in the grandstand. The gates open at 4:00 p.m. Food and beverages will be available on the fairgrounds. Picnicking is also encouraged, but no coolers will be allowed in the grandstand. Tickets good for all events cost \$2.50; \$1.50 for children 12 and under. Tickets are also available in advance with a 50-cent discount at all Midwest Federal banks. Parking is free.

July 7

A RECOGNITION DINNER for teen-agers who participated in Avodah/Chore will be held tonight from 6:30 to 8:30 at the Jewish Community Center, 1375 St. Paul Ave. Twenty-five teen-agers will be honored for helping elderly residents throughout the Highland Park area with chores like raking leaves, mowing the grass, vacuuming, and doing the laundry. For more information, call the JCC at 698-0751.

A CLASS for grandparents-to-be will be held this evening from 7:30 to 9:30 at United and Children's Hospitals. The class will inform grandparents of the latest developments in child care, childbirth, feeding, parenting and other subjects. The cost is \$5.00 per couple. To register, call 298-8868.

July 9

THE CLASS OF 1963 from the then-six Catholic High Schools in St. Paul—Cretin, Derham Hall, St. Thomas, Our Lady of Peace, Convent of the Visitation and St. Joseph's—will reunite tonight at the St. Paul Athletic Club. For more information, call 631-0560 or 699-7877.

THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY'S "Run for Life" bike-a-thon will be this morning from 7:00 to 9:00. Two courses are available—an easy tri around Lake Phalen or a more challenging 40-mile trek to Stillwater and back. Registration forms are available at Macalester Bicycle and Skate Exchange. Participants raise money by soliciting pledges from sponsors. Prizes including a 10-speed bike will be awarded to top fund-raisers. For more information, call 644-1224.

July 13

IT'S CHILDREN'S DAY today at Historic Fort Snelling, with free admission and hands-on experiences for kids from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, call 726-9430.

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Youth counselor Margot Storti-Marron works with young people at CrossStreets, a program that helps runaways.

CrossStreets finds ways to solve conflicts to put families together

by Steve Fletty

Susan's problems started when her mother took offense to her friends and her clothes. Susan, a 15-year-old, started dressing sloppily, in punk-style clothes. She also stayed out after her curfew and began skipping classes.

Fights erupted between her and her mother, until things reached the point where Susan felt her mother had no faith in her. One night she ran away, to a friend's house.

But she did more than just run away—she called CrossStreets, a St. Paul organization that specializes in solving conflicts like the one Susan found herself involved in.

"We want to put kids back in their own environment," Blaess said. "The longer you leave them out of there, the harder it is to put them back."

CrossStreets specializes in the sort of short-term crisis counseling that got Susan back home. The program serves a family for an average of just a week or two, arranging counseling sessions based on the needs of the family.

CrossStreets got started 3½ years ago when several area social service agencies recognized there was a need for a central program to help runaways in Ramsey County. CrossStreets opened its doors on University Avenue, and it remained there for more than three years.

This spring, the agency moved into the old Gordon School building 1619 Dayton Ave., a block off Snelling Avenue. The office there is staffed from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., and counselors are on call 24 hours a day to meet any crisis. The services are free.

In addition to crisis counseling, CrossStreets offers temporary shelter for one to five days for youths who feel they can't go home. While they are there, counselors work with the family to resolve whatever conflicts are keeping the children away. The program also makes use of outreach services to get in touch with troubled youth.

Counselors go to schools and other locations where youths gather, to talk about the program. They say it's the best way to establish trust and to let kids know about the program. Storti-Marron said Susan probably heard of the agency through an outreach effort at her school.

Runaways who come to CrossStreets are also expected to take advantage of the agency's support groups for youths, which meet twice a week and focus on problem-solving and mutual support.

Most runaways leave home because of problems at school or conflicts with parents, boyfriends and girlfriends, Storti-Marron said—"just a whole bunch of things that don't mesh together."

To help Susan, CrossStreets

set up another meeting between Susan and her mother the day after she ran away and another one a week later. During those sessions, Storti-Marron said, they were able to smooth over differences in the family and come to a workable arrangement that satisfied both mother and daughter.

By looking at the reasons behind the fighting, and the dynamics of how the family interacted, Storti-Marron said, Susan's mother saw how her strict rules pushed her daughter to misbehave. Susan's curfew had been 9:00 p.m., but her mother agreed to make it 10:00 p.m. if her daughter promised to be home by then and agreed to stop skipping classes. Meanwhile, Storti-Marron said, Susan came to a better understanding of her mother's concerns and is trying to live up to her end of the bargain.

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There have been no long-range studies of CrossStreets' success rate, but Storti-Marron is convinced the service works in the short run. The crisis counseling she and the other staffers provide results in most of the runaways going back home to work out their problems, she said.

Most families, she continued, realize they need to improve. And once they get to that point, she said, "it's not very difficult at all. Most of the time, parents blame their kids for problems and that doesn't work very often. If you try, maybe things will change."

Every year, 300 to 400 youths seek counseling or shelter at CrossStreets, and most of them, program workers proudly point out, go home.

"If you give them an easy out, they'll run," Blaess said. "We make it clear we want them to work things out."

To reach CrossStreets, call 647-0410.

Both sides in moving dispute say they're helping public

by Steve Fletty

Gary Tormoen and his son Mike describe themselves as victims. They say their small moving business is being squashed by giant competitors, choked off by legal tangles and red tape.

Their competitors, and the state officials responsible for the red tape, see things a little differently. They say the Tormoens simply are not willing to play by the same rules as everyone else.

The Tormoens' troubles began two years ago when they decided to go into business in South Minneapolis as Mike's Cut-Rate Moving. They applied for a license through the state Transportation Regulation Board to haul household and office furnishings.

Gary Tormoen said they paid their fees and supplied the board with all the proper information, including a statement of their assets and a description of the truck and other equipment they would be using. In accordance with state law, the board then published that information.

Every time an applicant applies for such a license, any established moving company may file a protest, which halts the licensing process. In the case of Mike's Cut-Rate Moving, seven com-

panies filed protests against granting the Tormoens a license. Among those companies was Berger Allied, a St. Paul company that Gary Tormoen described as one of the largest movers in the Twin Cities. The Tormoens blame those protests for their failure to obtain a license.

"They say it's a free enterprise system in this country," Gary Tormoen said, "but when it gets down to the way people in certain groups want it, they get it decided the way they want it. . . . As soon as a new person applies they protest so they can protect themselves so they don't lose any business."

Bill Dircks, president of Berger Allied, denied those charges. He said the option of filing protests is a necessary part of the licensing process.

"When the public safety is involved, you go through that," he said.

Abe Rosenthal, president of the Minnesota Transport Services Association (MTSA), said Tormoen's allegations that state law protects the large movers are "hogwash." The MTSA is a non-profit trade organization that works on behalf of truckers and handles consumer complaints about the moving business.

Rosenthal said the law al-

lowing other movers to protest license applications by new movers is not discriminatory. The law is there to protect the public, he said, and allows the industry to police itself to a certain extent.

"Transportation is a public utility," Rosenthal said. "A mover is like a banker. You turn your property over to them." A moving license protects the public by requiring

Rosenthal said movers voluntarily police their own industry in an effort to avoid the need for further city and state regulations.

Protests from other movers do not automatically deny new companies the right to operate. The applicant can seek a hearing before an administrative law judge, who hears both sides and then decides whether or not to grant a license.

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companies to meet safety standards in the use of their equipment, to be knowledgeable about the business and financially able to meet their obligations, he said.

According to Rosenthal, most movers are familiar with other people in the business and will protest a license application if they believe the applicant will be unable to meet any state standards. Movers can also protest an application by proving there is no public need for additional moving services in any given area.

That in itself is prohibitive, the Tormoens say. Gary Tormoen said lawyers who know anything about the hearing process cost a minimum of \$750. So far, he said, he and his son have spent \$3,000 attempting to reach the hearing stage.

However, according to Roger Laufenburger, chairman of the Transportation Regulation Board, the Tormoens themselves are to blame for the lack of a hearing.

In fact, according to legal documents filed in the court of Administrative Law Judge

Richard Luis, a September 26, 1986, hearing date was originally set for Mike's Cut-Rate Moving. That date was postponed at the request of the Tormoens' lawyer, and the Tormoens have repeatedly postponed hearings since then. At present, no new hearing date has been set and the Tormoens' lawyer is no longer representing them.

Gary Tormoen said he postponed the first hearing date because the protesting companies "wanted to know all our business," including the number of moves made by the Tormoens, where those moves were and how much money the company had. "Snooping into us, it's none of their business," he said.

Judge Luis said he spoke with Gary earlier this month regarding a new hearing and has given the Tormoens until June 27 to find a new lawyer or representative. If they get a lawyer by then, Luis said, he'll try to set a new hearing date.

Even if the Tormoens don't find a representative, Luis said, he intends to set a date for late summer and push the hearing through. The case has been on the books long enough, he said. The Tormoens said they do plan to look for a lawyer and will

continue fighting for a license through the proper channels.

At a hearing, the Tormoens would have to prove there is a need for their service and that they are "fit and able to provide that service," Luis said. The protesting companies would also be given the opportunity to try to prove that the need is already being met or that the Tormoens are not fit and able to run a business.

"Included in the definition of 'fit and able' is not just financial fitness, but whether or not they're unfit to be licensed because they've engaged in practices that are unethical or illegal," Luis explained.

Laufenburger said his office received a complaint that the Tormoens were operating without a license shortly after they first applied for a moving license in the spring of 1986. Another complaint was filed in September 1986. In October of that year, Laufenburger said, his office issued an order for the Tormoens to respond to the complaint.

The Tormoens, he said, failed to respond within the mandatory 20 days. Under state law, that means the

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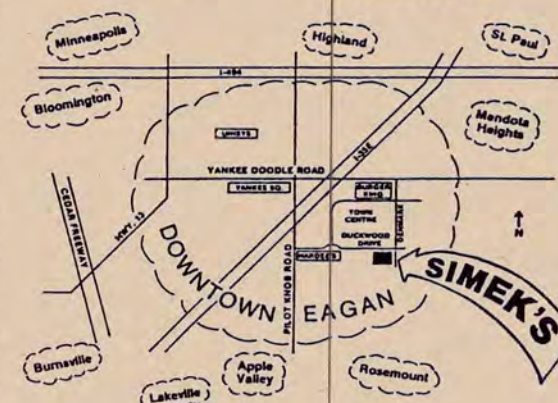
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state can make an assumption of guilt, Laufenburger said. As a result, the regulation board ordered the Tormoens to cease doing business and to cease advertising in November 1986. Those orders apparently were ignored, however, because another complaint was received in April 1987.

And according to the Minnesota Transport Services Association, the Tormoens are continuing to operate without a license. Gary and Mike Tormoen refused to comment on that charge.

"Anything I say or do could incriminate me," Mike said.

If the Tormoens are operating without a license, they could face fines of up to \$700 or 90 days in jail. A spokesman for the Minnesota Transportation Department Enforcement Division declined to comment on any possible criminal charges pending consultation with the department's lawyers.

Gary said he and his son have never been convicted of any violations. "If we're so much in the wrong," he said, "why haven't they fined us?" As a result of their trou-

bles, and because of other complaints they have with the way the moving industry is regulated, the Tormoens have been promoting a bill that would ease licensing restrictions and otherwise alter current laws. They recently passed out fliers in the Highland Park area asking residents to press their legislators to make those changes.

If that doesn't work, Gary said he will pursue three options. First, he'll try to generate as much publicity as possible to get the public behind him and his son, he said. Second, he proposes to organize a boycott against Berger Allied. If none of that helps, he said, he'll run for the Legislature as an independent and try to change the laws regulating the trucking industry himself.

The Tormoens say it's all a question of fairness. "It's a matter of principle, a bread-and-butter issue," Gary said.

"I just want to pay the rent," Mike said. "It seems like everyone is trying to stop me from making any kind of living in this industry."

Joan Peper saluted by banking peers

Joan Peper, a customer development officer at Liberty State Bank, was recently named "Financial Woman of the Year" by the Metroland Group of the National Association of Bank Women.

Peper has 20 years of experience in finance. Her current duties involve managing all special events and seminars for the bank and its customers. She has been active in the bank women's association for nine years and will be its state president next year. Peper has also been involved in the District 14 Community Council, and is currently heading the publicity committee for the District 14 Living at Home Project.

Citizens asked to water trees

St. Paul residents are being asked by city officials to water the young boulevard trees in front of their homes, at least until the rain returns to this area. The heat and drought of the past month have left the trees badly in need of a soaking.

The city has planted more than 7,000 trees over the past five years, and "these young trees are the most in need of water, especially with the dry spring and fall we had in 1987," said city arborist Tom Karl. "Two stressful years is hard even on older healthy trees, so the younger ones are really in trouble."

Citizens can help by placing a garden hose at the base of a tree and letting water

Open School grad is Truman Scholar

James T. Turnure, a 1985 graduate of St. Paul Open School, was among 105 Truman Scholars honored during ceremonies last month at the Harry S. Truman Library in Independence, Missouri. The 1988 scholars were selected from a list of 1,295 nominations made by faculty representatives from colleges and universities across the nation.

Turnure, the son of Drs. James E. and Cynthia Turnure, 211 Exeter Place, attended Deep Springs College in California from 1986 to the winter of 1988. He transferred to the University of Minnesota this spring, where he is studying geography in the honors program of the College of Liberal Arts.

The Truman Scholarship Foundation was established by Congress to help promising young men and women prepare for a career in government. The scholarship provides a maximum award of \$7,000 a year for up to four years of college and graduate study in courses leading toward a career in public service.

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On the Towns

Novelist trains satiric sights on U.S., Soviet societies

by Bob Gilbert

William Jack is doing his part to fight the Cold War. His weapon is laughter. Jack's new book, *To The Devil*, to be released in July, is a satire on American and Soviet societies. Jack's gentle laughter is educated, too. The St. Paul native speaks Russian fluently and has traveled to the Soviet Union 15 times.

Jack, 42, grew near the corner of Ashland Avenue and Oxford Street, the second oldest of 10 children. He remembers it as a slow and gentle place where elm trees towered so high above the streets that their boughs met in the middle, and passing beneath them was like being submerged in a bright green tunnel. His love for literature was nurtured by nuns like Sister Lucille and Sister Raphael at St. Luke's Grade School.

"They were very concerned about the decline of the English language," says Jack, "and we were relentlessly drilled in grammar, made to diagram sentences and memorize poetry." Jack still remembers much of it. Putting his right hand to his heart and extending his left, in the mock gesture of an enraptured poet, he raises his eyebrows, smiles and recites enough of Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar" and Wordsworth's "Daffodils" to show that he still knows them both by heart.

Jack's high school memories are less fond. He attended Cretin High School but he didn't like the military aspect of the boys' school. In 1963 he graduated as a private, a fact that causes him to shrug his shoulders and grin. "My attitude towards the strict military-religious atmosphere of Cretin was rather ironic," he says. "I couldn't help but think it was somehow all absurd. However, I see now that it was an ideal preparation for life, because life itself is absurd."

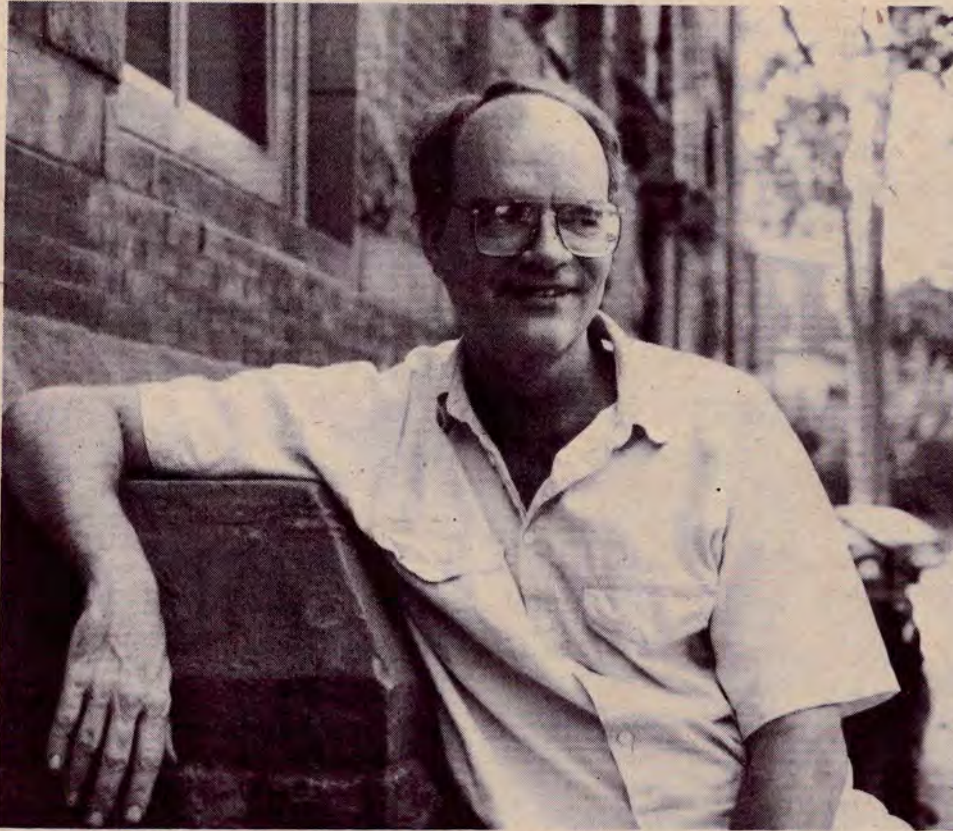
Jack's first job was at the Lexington Restaurant on Grand Avenue. He started work in 1960 as a pot washer for \$1.20 an hour.

"Humor is one of the few weapons effective against bureaucracies. Sometimes I think both nations take themselves too seriously. It wouldn't hurt if we learned to laugh at ourselves."

—William Jack

"I've worked there on and off for over 25 years, mostly as a waiter," Jack says. "The Lex was a great place in the 1960s—boisterous, festive and jammed to the walls every night with St. Paul's Irish. There weren't many other places around in those days. Every time another restaurant would open in town like McCafferty's or Diamond Jim's people would say 'there goes the Lex.' But it was never so. The place is an institution."

Jack says he learned more about people and about life working at the Lexington than he did in any of his college courses. "Don Ryan, the restaurant's manager, kind of became my mentor," he says. "He was like a father figure. He's the best judge of character I've ever seen. We used to stand by the front door greeting patrons as they came in. He could predict how each customer would behave, how much money each would spend and whether or not they'd enjoy themselves with amazing accuracy. To this day I still can't call him 'Don' like everyone else. To me he'll always be 'Mr. Ryan.'"



William Jack

After high school Jack enrolled at the University of Minnesota, where he became interested in politics. He was vice president of "Students For Eugene McCarthy" in the 1964 Senate race. His life took a sudden twist that fall when he contracted mononucleosis and dropped out of school. He sat out the next quarter convalescing and just as he recovered, he got a draft notice. "I was given 10 days to report to the army or join another branch of service," he says. He spent the next four years in the Navy.

It was there that the diligent lessons of the Catholic nuns first bore fruit. He was assigned to naval intelligence and studied to be a Russian interpreter. In Monterey, California, he was taken under the wing of one of his instructors, a woman in her 60s named Olga Chebyshova. She was the daughter of a Czarist army officer who had fled to America after her father was slain during the Russian Revolution. Olga, a small, energetic woman, was hired to teach her native tongue to the naval personnel.

"She lived in a house near the base with her aged mother," Jack recalls. "They both took a liking to me. I was invited back to their home often for dinner where I was treated to *pirozhki* and *borscht* and got to hear stories about the old country before the Bolsheviks came to power. In return for their hospitality I did yard work and heavy lifting for them around the house."

After getting his bachelor's degree in Russian studies from the University of Minnesota, Jack worked towards a Ph.D. in Slavic languages and literatures from the University of Michigan. At Ann Arbor, one of his professors was the Russian emigre writer and recent Nobel Prize winner Joseph Brodsky.

"Brodsky had an impact on my life," Jack says. "Ironically, I found him echoing the same sentiments as Sisters Lucille and Raphael of St. Luke's. I had two seminars with Brodsky, and in each he insisted that we memorize poems. He felt that through memorization you come as close as you can to the creative process of the poet at the time the poem was written."

After earning his doctorate degree, Jack went to Southern Methodist University where he studied law and headed the school's Russian studies program. He graduated in 1984.

Olga Chebyshova was to play another prominent part in Jack's life. When she died in 1984, her estate left him \$30,000. "It took her lawyers over a year to find

me. Her money let me quit my job and try my hand at something I always wanted to be—an author.

"*To The Devil* starts out poking fun at Soviet society, and some people may get an initial idea that it's a humorous form of commie bashing. But midway through the narrative, the characters come to the United States and the comedy continues," says Jack.

The theme of the book "is the absurdity of institutions, both American and Russian. Bizarre behavioral discoveries made at the Russian's Tikvin Institute lead to comical situations in both Moscow and Washington, D.C. Characters include talking ducks and a talking goose," Jack says. "I don't think that's much more absurd than reality."

"Not long ago Secretary of State George Schultz sat in a Winnebago in downtown Moscow writing messages to his staff on children's 99-cent magic slate pads. The new American Embassy was hopelessly bugged and its security compromised. That's absurd," Jack says.

The author claims plenty of experience with bureaucracy. "I've never encountered a bureaucracy more insensitive or incompetent than that of the University of Minnesota," he says. "Getting through that place was great preparation for dealing with the Byzantine ways of the Soviet government."

He cites an example. "I attended the University of Leningrad on an exchange program. When I tried to get the registrar's office at the U of M to give me my 30 credits, the bureaucrat refused, screamed at me and told me not to come back until I had two copies of my transcript. Well, the Russians didn't give out transcripts in those days and neither did they have xerox machines to make copies. So I went home, found my Leningrad bus pass. It was written in Russian and looked very official with the hammer and sickle on it. I made a copy of it and told the woman in the registrar's office that it was my diploma from the program. It got me 30 credits."

In his novel, the American President travels to Moscow and ends up in a fist-fight with the Soviet Premier. "While I was writing the book, President Reagan was still calling Russia 'the evil empire,'" Jack says. "I conjured up the presidential visit as a fantasy, never thinking that he'd actually go. But I'm not surprised that Reagan liked the Russian people. Though they may act shy at first, they are a very warm people."

Jack is now working on a second

book—a serious tome. "It's a cultural history of Russia," he says. He thinks Americans should try to understand the Russians on their own terms. "Their attitude to life is different," he says. "This month, for instance, marks the 1000th anniversary of Russia's conversion to Christianity by Prince Vladimir. They chose the Orthodox faith and that in part explains the conflict with the West," he explains. "Russians never learned Latin, the language of Western scholarship. Because of this they missed out on the Renaissance, a movement that transformed Western society."

"I've always marveled at the mileage each nation gets out of its anti-Soviet and anti-American propaganda," Jack says. "Each nation tries to paint the other as alien and evil. In fact, the problem might very well be that the two nations have too much in common. Both nations are the step-children of Europe. Both came into international prominence following World War II, and both are a nation of nations with a variety of cultures within their borders. In addition, both suffer from messianic complexes. They think that manifest destiny is their exclusive right."

"Things are changing in Russia very quickly," says Jack. "Each time I return there I am amazed by the transformation. Currently, Russian society is experiencing a generation gap between its citizens born before Stalin's death and those born after his death. I think it is more pronounced than the one America endured in the 1960s."

TO THE DEVIL



WILLIAM JACK

Jack believes that even if Gorbachev was to fall from power tomorrow, the social changes currently taking place in the Soviet Union would continue.

He says his book is written in the style of Russian absurdist literature. "Humor is one of the few weapons effective against bureaucracies," he says. "Sometimes I think both nations take themselves too seriously. It wouldn't hurt if we both learned to laugh at ourselves."

Money from Jack's inheritance has since run out, so now he spends his evenings working as a waiter at Tulips restaurant on Selby Avenue.

"Writing is a lonely, stationary, cerebral pursuit," Jack says. "And waiting is the perfect counterweight to it. It also avails me the opportunity to see old St. Paul friends that I haven't seen in years."

On the Towns Briefly

Exhibits

An exhibit of paintings by Edie Abnet will open with a reception from 5:00 to 10:00 p.m. Thursday, June 23, at the Art Resources Gallery, 9th and Jackson streets. Stone and bronze sculpture by Brian Grossman will also be featured in the show, which will continue through July. For more information, call 222-8686.

The region's finest craftwork in clay, fiber, metal, paper, glass, wood and leather will be featured in the 16th annual Minnesota Crafts Festival on Saturday and Sunday, June 25 and 26. The juried event, arguably the best outdoor crafts show and sale in the state, will return to the grassy grounds of the College of St. Catherine at Randolph and Cleveland avenues from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, and from noon to 6:00 on Sunday. Some of the 120 participating craftspeople will also be demonstrating their art. Live music will be presented and ethnic food will be available.

The Women's Art Registry of Minnesota Gallery, located at 414 N. 1st Ave. in Minneapolis, will sponsor its ninth annual juried exhibition for women July 9 through August 6. It will feature the works of WARM associate members from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and the Dakotas. An opening reception is set for 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 9.

Theater

The North Star Opera will bring back the musical *A Cocktail at Porter's*, featuring 33 hits by Cole Porter, for performances at 8:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, June 24 and 25, and at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, June 26, at the Hennepin Center for the Arts, 528 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis. Porter's lyrics are woven into a story about the love lives of seven characters who spend an evening together in the 1950s at a cocktail



The music at Bette's (Camilla Little, right) quiet wedding ceremony is played by her psychotic sister Emily (Candace Booker) in the Obie Award-winning black comedy

lounge in Manhattan. General admission tickets are \$10 and are available through Dayton's (989-2987).

Theatre in the Round Players will present the area premiere of *The Marriage of Bette and Boo* by Christopher Durang at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, July 1, at the theater, 245 Cedar Ave., Minneapolis. The play begins with the wedding of Bette and Boo, surrounded by happy friends and family. But they hardly live happily ever after—there are divorces, fatal illnesses, alcoholism and in-laws who range from being psychotic to senile. Tickets are \$8.00 and are available by calling Tickets to Go at 333-3010.

The Minnesota Opera will open its production of *Oklahoma!* at 8:00 p.m. Friday, July 8, at the Ordway Music Theatre. Rebecca Baxter, currently starring in the national tour of *Edwin Drood*, will star as the spirited Laurey, and Merwyn Foard, recently seen as Lancelot in the touring production of *Camelot*, will star as the wholesome cowboy Curly. Leading American director Charles Abbott will make his Minnesota Opera debut directing *Oklahoma!* The production will run through August 6, with shows at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and at 2:00 p.m. on Thursdays and Saturdays. For tickets, priced from \$8.00 to \$25, call the Ordway at 224-4222 or Dayton's at 989-2987.

The Marriage of Bette and Boo. The play will be staged by Theater in the Round July 1-24. For details, see listing.

Allegro Productions, a new production company, will present St. Paul playwright and director Gus Gedatus' *Secret Prizes* at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 8, at the Hennepin Center for the Arts in Minneapolis. The play concerns a confrontation between a Catholic priest in mid-life crisis and his strong-willed mother. Material for the play began to take shape 15 years ago, when Gedatus attended the College of St. Thomas, where he shared quarters with priests and those aspiring to be priests. Gedatus is quick to point out that his disillusioned Father Michael does not reflect one individual but a composite of real priests he

has known, and an insider's ear for their real problems.

Concerts

Broadway show tunes, rousing marches and other concert-band repertoire will be played by the 70-member Medalist Concert Band of Bloomington on Friday, June 24, in a free outdoor concert at Bandana Square, just off Lexington Parkway on Energy Park Drive. Concert-goers are invited to bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating under the trees.

Partisan political slander will be

in the air when the Minneapolis Chamber Symphony presents a lively collection of campaign songs from elections long past at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, June 24, at the World Theater. The audience is invited to join the chamber in celebrating its 10th year. Tickets are available by calling 339-0235 or 298-1300.

The Philip Brunelle Brass Ensemble will perform at a free outdoor concert at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, July 1, at Bandana Square. Audience members are invited to bring a blanket or lawn chair.

Pianist Ellen Lease will play with the Pat Moriarty Ensemble at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 5, at the Walker Art Center auditorium in Minneapolis. Admission is \$5.00.

Film

The turbulent career of legendary jazz saxophonist Charlie "Bird" Parker is described in *Bird Now*, a Belgian film that will be shown at 7:00 and 8:45 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, at the Walker Art Center. Part documentary and part fiction, the film is as much a story of Parker as of jazz itself. Admission is \$4.00; \$3.00 for senior citizens.

Out of Africa, the eloquently photographed memoir of author Isak Dinesen's love affair with an elusive adventurer, will be shown at 7:00 and 9:45 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, at the University of Minnesota's St. Paul Student Center Theater, 2017 Buford Ave. Meryl Streep and Robert Redford star. Admission is free.

A reply to an ad for second-hand books sparks a 20-year transatlantic love affair for a writer and lover of antiquarian books in *84 Charing Cross Road*, which will be shown at 8:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, June 24 and 25, at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. Anne Bancroft stars. Admission is \$3.00; \$1.00 for children.

The Grapes of Wrath, the 1940 adaptation of John Steinbeck's novel about migrant workers, will be shown at 7:30

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A Catholic priest (Mark Haarman) who wants out of his profession confronts his religiously ambitious mother (Lavina Erickson) in *Secret Prizes*, a new play by a new company, Allegro Productions. The play will open July 8 at the Hennepin Center for the Arts. For details, see listing.

and 9:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, June 24 and 25, in the West Bank Union Auditorium of Willey Hall at the University of Minnesota. A fifth showing is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Friday, June 24. Henry Fonda and John Carradine star. Admission is free and open to all.

Line 1, a contemporary German musical set in the subways of Berlin, will be shown at 7:00 and 8:50 p.m. on Wednesday, June 29, at the Walker Art Center. It is about a young girl who runs away from her country home in hopes of finding her rock-star hero, and in the early hours at "Zoo Station" meets up with all kinds of Berliners: punks, nightbirds, burns, junkies and sleepy people on their way to work. Admission is \$4.00; \$3.00 for senior citizens.

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Never Cry Wolf, the story of a research scientist and his struggle against humans and nature to determine the survival of the Arctic wolf, will be shown at 7:00 and 9:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 29, at the University of Minnesota's St. Paul Student Center Theater, 2017 Buford Ave. Charles Martin Smith stars. Admission is free.

The Greek film *The Children of Chelidona*, the story of a television crew and its pursuit of six siblings scattered to the four winds by the German occupation, civil war and junta, will be shown at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, June 30—the first half of a double feature at the Walker Art Center. The second film, *Tall Stories* from Portugal, will roll at 9:15 p.m. It is about a summertime friendship between 12-year-old Miguel and the slightly older Joao, whose stories of daring accomplishments and romantic conquests fascinate and intimidate the shy Miguel. Admission is \$5.00; \$4.00 for senior citizens.

Chariots of Fire, the true story of two British runners and the divergent forces that compel them to victory at the 1924 Paris Olympics, will be shown at 7:00 and 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 6, at the University of Minnesota's St. Paul Student Center Theater, 2017 Buford Ave. Admission is free.

Casablanca, starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman, will be shown at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, July 8 and 9, in the West Bank Union Auditorium of Willey Hall at the University of Minnesota. A fifth showing is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Friday, July 8. Admission is free.



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Cassandra Shore, Ranee Ramaswamy, Rita Mustaphi and Susana di Palma will present dances from Egypt, India and Spain at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, June 22 and 23, at the Ordway's McKnight Theatre. The performance, the final presentation of the Summerdance '88 series, will feature some of the most exciting and authentic ethnic performers in Minnesota. Cassandra Shore will perform Egyptian and Middle Eastern dances, drawing on classical and folkloric traditions. Ramaswamy will perform Bharata Natyam, the classical dance of South India, and Mustaphi will present classical dances from North India, Kathak and Manipuri. Di Palma will perform flamenco dances from Spain. Cassandra and di Palma will also perform a Franco-Arabic duet, accompanied by their combined orchestras. Admission is \$9.50; \$8.00 for students and senior citizens. For more information, call the Ordway at 224-4222.

The Guild of Oriental Dance and the Cassandra School will present an informal belly dance festival at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 25, at the People's Center, 2000 E. 5th St., Minneapolis. Middle Eastern dances will be performed by profes-

Mini-concert series continues on Grand

A series of free outdoor mini-concerts presented on the lawn at Ramsey Junior High School will continue on Thursdays June 23 and 30 and July 7. The schedule is as follows:

- June 23—Mouldy Figs, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. (sponsored by Cherokee State Bank)
- June 30—Vic Tedesco Band, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. (sponsored by Grand Avenue Ace Hardware)
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Everyone is invited to bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy the summer sounds. Should it rain on any of the Thursdays, the concert will be moved into the auditorium of Ramsey Junior.

The concert series is made possible due to the efforts of the Grand Avenue Business Association, St. Paul Community Education, the Division of Parks and Recreation, the Twin Cities Musicians Union, the Musicians Trust Fund and the District 14 Community Council.

sionals and students. A \$1.00 donation is requested, and refreshments will be available. For more information, call 861-2383 or 522-4010.

The annual Summertime Choreographers Evening at Nicollet Island will be presented at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 25. The hour-long performance, free and open to the public, will feature the work of 16 choreographers in an eclectic and energetic program. Highlights of

the performance will include Elizabeth Birmingham's "Bone Voyage," in which skeletons are walked like dogs; Michael Yonkers' "Do You Know What I Mean?," in which the entire history of Western civilization is reviewed in 2 1/2 minutes; and William Gordon's "Baroque Suite," which sets sweeping movements to the music of Bach. The event will take place in the Nicollet Island Amphitheatre. Visitors are encouraged to bring a picnic meal.

Et cetera

Michael Sommers and Susan Haas will present a series of vaudevilian vignettes in "History, Why is IT called SHE?" at 8:00 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, June 23-25 and June 30-July 2, at the Southern Theater, 1420 S. Washington Ave., Minneapolis. The performance is part of the Southern's second season of "Overtones," a series of seven collaborative performances. Sommers and Haas, working with composers Michelle Kinney and Robert Rumbolz, will examine the life of a space—in this case the Southern Theater itself—and how it changes size and gender depending upon what is presented in it. The series will continue at 8:00 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, July 7-10, with Ballet of the Dolls and Myron Johnson's "Doll From Grace." This work will combine dance, lights, costumes, acting and music in a theatrically explosive dance experience. Tickets are \$7.50; \$6.00 for students and senior citizens. For more information, call the theater at 340-0155.

Auditions will be held this month for the opening production of Penumbra Theatre Company's 12th season, *Lost in the Stars*, written by Kurt Weill and Maxwell Anderson and directed by Lewis Whitlock III. Adult males and females are invited

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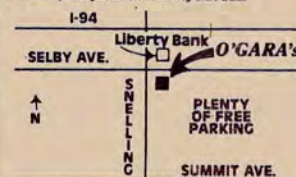
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In addition to the outdoor events, which will take place at Northrop Plaza and Northrop Mall on the University of Minnesota campus, the festival's major attraction will be a performance by the Dizzy Gillespie Big Band at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 3, in Northrop Auditorium. Tickets for that show will be \$17.50 and \$19.50.

The festival began June 14 and will continue through August 9. In keeping with tradition, there will be tables and chairs out on the Northrop Plaza so people can enjoy picnic lunches during the concerts. In case of rain, events scheduled for outdoors will be moved inside Northrop Auditorium.

Unless otherwise noted, all of the following free shows will be held at noon on Northrop Plaza: June 22, Dalar-nas Spelmansforbund (40 Swedish fiddlers); June 23, Lyric String Quartet (classical); June 24, Naima (jazz quartet); June 28, Slavonski Becari (Yugoslavian ensemble); June 30, Minneapolis Pops Orchestra (Northrop Mall); July 5, Minneapolis Brass Ensemble; July 6, Patty Peterson Quartet (jazz); July 7, Tom Hiel (New Age); July 11, The Lake Strings (Diehl Plaza, University Hospital).

July 12, Moore by Four (jazz); July 13, Minneapolis Pops Orchestra (Northrop Mall); July 13, File (Zydeco-Cajun, 8:00 Northrop Plaza); July 15, Zeitgeist (new-music ensemble); July 18, Mandala (Brazilian); July 21, Minneapolis Pops Orchestra; July 25, Organ Grinder Revue; July 26, Red Wolfe's Ellington Echoes (Diehl Plaza); July 28, Vern Sutton, Janis Hardy and Philip Brunelle (songs of love and romance); August 2, New International Trio (folk favorites with a Cambodian accent).

August 2, The Wallets (a Twin Cities rock band, 8:00 p.m., Northrop Plaza); August 4, Stoney Lonesome (bluegrass, old-time country); August 5, Latin Jazz Combo; August 9, Woodlawn String Trio (classical).

Tickets for the Dizzy Gillespie concert may be purchased from the Northrop box office or any Dayton's outlet. For more information on the festival, call 624-2345.

to make an appointment to audition from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, June 25 and 26, at the theater, 270 N. Kent St. Participants are asked to come prepared with one song, two to three minutes in length, and one monologue, three to five minutes long. To schedule a time, call 224-4601.

The third annual Hot Jazz and Barbeque at Bandana Square will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 29, with a free concert by Shangoya. Bandana Square restaurants will serve shrimp kabobs, Cajun drumsticks, ribs, hamburgers, brats and chicken.

The Minnesota Historical Society will be presenting a number of Taste of Freedom programs this July 1-4 in conjunction with the popular Taste of Minnesota celebration at the state Capitol. From 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on all four days, children are invited to use a variety of surveying tools on the Capitol Mall to learn how measuring and mapping the land was important in settling Minnesota. At 3:00 p.m. on July 2, songs and stories from Minnesota's territorial days will be presented in the Minnesota Historical Society building next to the Capitol. Musicians and a caller will lead visitors through simple dances enjoyed by early settlers from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on July 3 and 4 in the society's Weyerhaeuser Room. The highlight of the events will come at 7:00 p.m. on July 3, when area history teachers will re-enact the debate between James Madison and Patrick Henry on ratification of the U.S. Constitution. The debate will take place in the society's building.

Diane Torr, a.k.a. "Diane Tornado," will make her first Midwestern appearance at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 9, at the Intermedia Arts Gallery, 413 N. 1st Ave., Minneapolis. Torr is a Scottish-born performance artist whose politically charged work has provoked audiences from Europe to New York. Torr draws attention to the sexual identification of the self, the violence and politics of sex in today's society, and the implications of erotic dance at work in the culture. Amy Virshup of the *East Village Eye* said Torr "coolly seduces the audience

almost to the point of ecstasy, and suddenly delivers a harangue on the power politics of sex for money." Admission is \$5.00. For more information, call 627-4444.

The Walker Art Center's annual Movies and Music in the Park Series will kick off this year with a performance by the Wallets on Monday, July 11. Their 7:00 p.m. performance will include a special salute to the Guthrie Theater's production of *Frankenstein*. They will be followed at sunset by a screening of *Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein*. The free event will be held in Loring Park. If it rains, the show will be canceled.

Political satirist, syndicated columnist and public-television comedian Mark Russell will bring his show to the Guthrie Theater for a performance at 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 11. Tickets are \$15 and \$18 and available at 377-2224.

Families needed to host Japanese students in July

The College of St. Catherine will be opening its campus to a group of young Japanese women for two weeks again this summer as part of its "sister college" relationship with the Junshin Women's Junior College in Nagasaki, Japan.

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Area families will be needed July 16-29 to host one or two students for one to two weeks. During this time, students will be attending classes from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at St. Catherine's. For more information on becoming a host family, call the Office of Continuing Education and Summer Sessions at 690-6819.

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Four shows by the New Orleans rhythm and blues group the Neville Brothers—at 3:45 and 9:45 p.m. July 9 and 10—highlight the line-up of nearly 50 acts scheduled to perform at RiverFest's Beer Oasis. Other

Oasis "headliners," all with shows at 9:45 p.m., include the Wallets on July 7, the Sweet July 8, the BoDeans July 11, the Lamont Cranston Band July 12, Jimmy Cliff July 13, Tower of Power July 14 and 15, David Lindley July 16 (also at 3:45 p.m.), and Al Stewart July 17 (at 3:45 p.m., too).

New this year is the Jazz Cabaret, presenting national acts at 6:00 and 9:45 p.m. each day, preceded by performances by local bands. The schedule includes Herbie Mann and Jasil Brazz on July 7, Maynard Ferguson and High Voltage July 8, the Duke's Men July 9 and 10, Bill Bruford's Earthworks July 11 and 12, the Woody Herman Orchestra at 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. July 13, David Benoit July 13 and 14, Oceans July 15, and Tim Weisberg July 16 and 17.

RiverFest's Rock Stage will present more than 30 local and regional acts at 12:30, 4:30 and 8:30 p.m. daily.

The gates at RiverFest open at noon every day but opening day, Thursday, July 7, when they open at 4:00 p.m. Admission is free to children age 11 and younger and adults age 62 and older. For all others, an all-day ticket of \$10 is good for admission to all of RiverFest's seven entertainment areas. Admission tickets are also available for \$7.00 from now until July 6 at Dayton's and the City Hall Annex, 25 W. 4th St.

Local student joins Peace Child tour

Heather Batchelor of 855 Ashland Ave. has been selected to participate in the 1988 Peace Child tour and will be on her way to Poland July 22.

Peace Child, a musical written by former BBC filmmaker David Woolcombe, with music by David Gordon and the Soviet rock band Stas Namin, is a musical fantasy set in a future in which world peace has been established. The children of the future celebrate their annual Peace Day by re-enacting the events of the 1980s, when American and Soviet children discovered they could be friends. In this flashback to the present day, the play examines the arms race dilemma and offers the hope of peace rather than destruction.

The Peace Child tours began in 1981 as a way of

bringing children of different countries together. The name comes from Papua New Guinea, where tribes traditionally made peace by exchanging a "peace child." Growing up with the other tribe, the child kept in touch with his own people as an assurance against future conflict.

Batchelor, 18, applied to the program last December and was chosen to audition in March. She was selected for the tour on the basis of her talent and commitment to peace.

Batchelor, who will be a senior at the Minnesota Conservatory of the Performing Arts, has been involved in theater since she was 10, performing with various community and professional theater groups. In school she is specializing in vocal work and is a member of the Bel

Canto choral group. Batchelor is fluent in French and has been studying Polish for two years ago with a native-speaking private tutor.

In order to participate in the Peace Child tour, Batchelor also has to raise \$2,500 to cover her expenses. She is \$600 away from her goal, she said. To make a tax-deductible donation, send a check payable to Peace Child Foundation, c/o Heather Batchelor, 855 Ashland Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104.

Central High plans its 20-year reunion

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Sports

Hot pitchers send Raiders packing at state tournament

by T. D. Mischke

The powerful bats of Cretin-Derham Hall were no match for the superb pitching of Owatonna last Friday as the Indians stalled the Raiders' drive for their third state baseball title in the past decade.

Backed by a complete game two-hit shutout by senior Chad Wiley, Owatonna drove in four runs and eluded a sixth-inning Raider rally to move into the state final. Owatonna went on to beat Grand Rapids to win the Class AA state title Saturday.

Behind 2-0 after five innings, Cretin-Derham Hall loaded the bases in the top of the sixth with no outs. But Wiley struck out junior Pat Witte and the Indians followed it up with a double play when Jeff Rosga flied out and Mike Vogel was caught off second base.

The Indians came back in the bottom of the inning with two more runs, and with Wiley's arm effectively silencing the Raider bats, the game was all but over.

The Raiders, this year's tournament favorite, had to settle for the fourth-place trophy after losing to New Ulm on Saturday.

"We made a couple of



PHOTO BY MIKE LONG

Raiders third baseman Jeff Rosga puts the sting on an Owatonna base runner in last Friday's game at the 42nd

mental errors (against Owatonna)," Cretin-Derham Hall coach Dennis Denning said. "You can't win when you don't score runs."

It was a disappointing end to a brilliant season for the Raiders. They went into the tournament with a 22-1

record, taking the city conference, the Twin City title and the region championship and earning a number-one ranking in the state.

The Raiders came to the tournament with a combined team batting average of .382, not bettered by any team in

annual State Baseball Tournament. Cretin-Derham Hall lost 4-0 to the eventual state champion.

the state.

In the preliminary round of the tournament, the Raiders displayed their hitting power by routing Region 4AA champs Coon Rapids 10-3.

But in round two, the Raiders met up with the well-controlled curve ball and

90-mile-an-hour fastball of Chad Wiley, one of the best pitchers in the state.

"It was his curve that got us," said senior Dan Scanlan. "He was able to freeze our right-handers, and we only had three left-handers in the line-up. One of them got the

only solid hit of the game."

The Raiders' subdued batting followed them to the third-place game Saturday, where they were only able to score one run in a 2-1 loss to New Ulm. Eagles pitcher Jason Solberg picked up where Wiley left off, hurling a three-hitter.

The Raiders ended the season with a 22-3 record. Their only regular-season defeat was a 6-5 loss to Harding. They had won 13 straight games before facing Owatonna.

The Raiders scored 10 or more runs on eight occasions during the season and outscored their opponents 184 to 57. Owatonna was the only team to shut them out all year.

Returning to the team next season will be nine members of the tournament roster, with another nine having graduated.

If Denning's team can return to the tournament next year, it will be its eighth appearance in the last decade. No team has made the tournament more times in the 1980s.

Asked about the prospects for next year's team, Denning said matter-of-factly, "We'll always be tough."

Highland Park's 'Mr. J' breaks off 'crazy' 40-year affair with teaching

by Dick Gordon

"There never was a day when I didn't look forward to going to work," said Frank Johnson, who for the past 24 years has been a physical education teacher, coach and athletic director at Highland Park Junior High School.

"Maybe by the end of the day I'd feel differently and want to kick somebody's butt," the wiry 65-year-old Johnson added, "but when the next day came, I always wanted to go to work. I must be crazy...to be so crazy about what I'm doing."

Such feelings may explain why Johnson has accumulated more than 300 days of unused sick leave in his 40 years of teaching in the St. Paul Public Schools. They may also explain why he held back on his decision to retire to the very last, making up his mind when the summer vacation was already one week old.

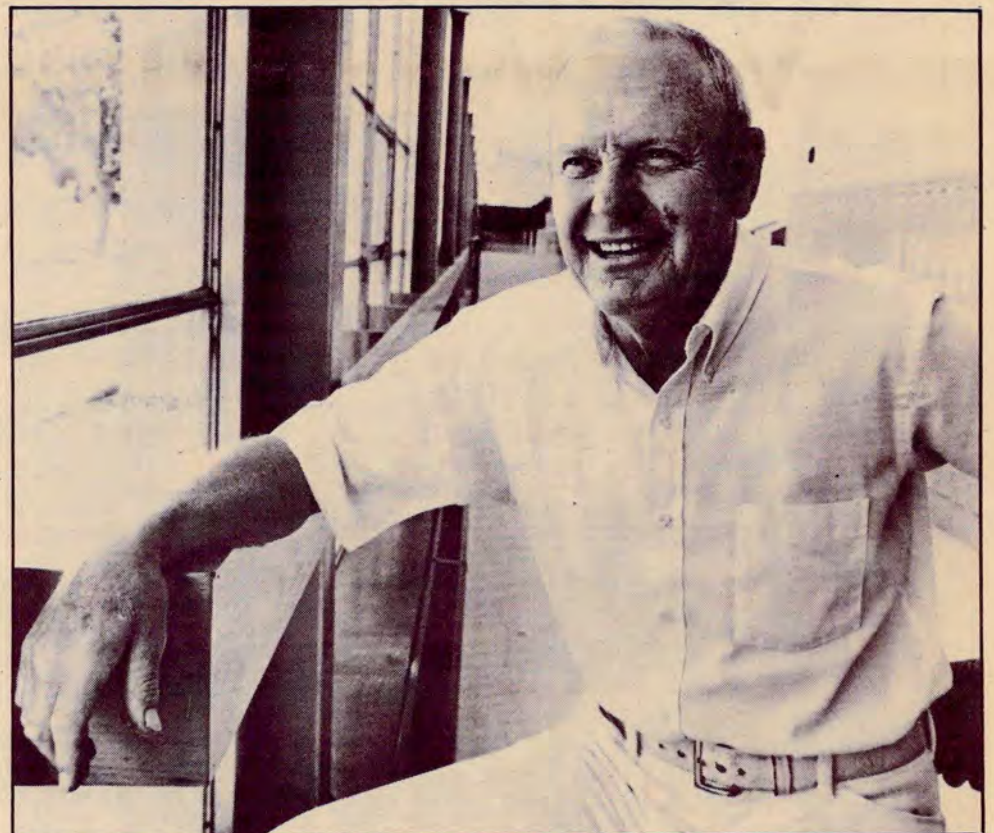
Earlier this month, on what was to become one of his final days of teaching, Mr. J, as his students called him, was hastening a motley group of kids back to class and retrieving the

basketballs they had been shooting in the gymnasium. He turned to a new acquaintance and told him flatly, "I don't know if I can retire. This is my life."

Johnson's indecision was recognized by school district officials who presented him with a plaque upon his possible retirement. It reads, "for 40 years PLUS of dedicated service in coaching and physical education." The day after receiving the award, Johnson insisted he still wasn't quite sure he could make the move to retire.

Said Highland teacher Diane Corcoran, who worked with Johnson for the past seven years: "I won't believe he has really retired until school starts next fall. He's like a daddy and a grand-daddy to the students. He really loves his job."

Johnson's love affair with teaching and coaching started at Monroe High School in 1948, shortly after his graduation from the University of Minnesota. Johnson had graduated from Minneapolis North High School and enrolled in the university in 1941. But



(cont'd on page 28) Highland Park Junior High School athletic director Frank Johnson.

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Johnson (cont'd from page 27)

then the United States entered World War II, and Johnson entered the service, seeing combat with an armored infantry unit in France and Germany.

Johnson makes no secret of his distaste for the military establishment. His stint as an underweight, blocking quarterback on Bernie Bierman's postwar gridiron powerhouse was much more to his liking, even though he says, "I picked up more slivers sitting on the bench than anyone else on the squad."

Johnson is old-fashioned enough to think that the now outmoded single-wing offense is the only way to run a football team. He'll also complain of the profane language so commonly spoken by young people today. "Give me a chance to be part of you," Johnson would admonish his students and players when their talk turned coarse. "I can't if you keep swearing."

At the same time, Johnson truly understands kids. Just the other day, he was chortling about "a wild kid" on his hockey squad at Wilson Junior High who told Johnson at the end of the season, "I've never had so much fun in my life. You can fight all the time."

Johnson's dedication to his profession is evidenced by his accumulation of sick leave, but also by this anecdote relayed by another teacher at Highland Junior, Andy Urban:

"Several years ago," Urban recalled, "we got to school and found part of the parking lot roped off. The lot needed resurfacing, and we assumed that that was why it was roped off." In actuality, the roping was the creative doing of Johnson, who had stayed hours after school the preceding evening, improvising a tennis court with sticks and ropes so that more of his students could play the game in phy ed the following day.

Highland's principal at the time immediately ordered the dismantling of Johnson's handiwork, but that was beside the point. Mr. J had made his.

"Every school should have a Frank Johnson," said Dick Furey, the former coach and teacher who worked alongside Johnson.

"The kids loved him. He was amazing. You never could see the top of his desk. It was always covered with baseballs and things like that. I remember how he used to measure the course for a cross-country meet. He'd borrow a bike from the parking lot and then figure a yard for each revolution (of the wheel). A lot of times he would talk to some of us while he was measuring the course, then forget the number of yards and have to start all over again."

Johnson worked only one year at Monroe, where he coached hockey and football. From there he moved on to Wilson Junior High and Como, Mattocks and Hancock elementary schools before settling at Highland, where the phy ed department was his domain—he did teach science one year—and where he coached baseball, wrestling and soccer.

As athletic director at Highland Junior, Johnson supervised eight sports, and three of them won citywide championships in his final year—boys' and girls' basketball and boys' soccer. Coach Johnson also claimed a co-championship in baseball in 1987, and "In wrestling," he said with a grin, "we built a lot of character. But sometimes you learn more in losing than in winning."

Johnson lives with Flo, his wife of 43 years, near the Town and Country Club golf course. He helped support her and their four children—he now has six grandchildren—by supplementing his teacher's salary with summer work. From the mid-50s, he was a block layer and dues-paying member of the bricklayers' union, and in the '70s he started selling investments, doing well enough in that profession to be offered full-time employment.

But Johnson turned the position down. "My life is the gymnasium and the playing field," he said.

Only now that isn't so anymore. Johnson finally signed the retirement papers and cleaned out his cluttered desk June 14. "I guess that's it," he said, maybe not sadly but certainly not with jubilation.

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The four-team, round-robin event will pit the East Metro Stars versus the South Minnesota Stars at 5:30, and the West Metro Stars versus the North Minnesota Stars at 8:30 on Friday evening at the Metrodome.

On Saturday, East Metro will go up against North Minnesota at 10:00 a.m., and West Metro will play South Minnesota at 12:30 p.m., both at the University of Min-

nesota's Siebert Field. That evening at Municipal Stadium, it will be metro versus metro team at 5:00, and out-state versus outstate team at 7:30.

Among the players on the metro teams are Dan Scanlan of Cretin-Derham Hall and Sean McKamie of Central, both seniors. Scanlan, a first baseman and pitcher on the regional champion Raiders squad, hit .471 this spring with four home runs and 29 RBI, and was 7-0 on the mound. McKamie, a shortstop, hit .425 this year with four home runs and 19 stolen bases.

Tickets for the double-headers, at \$4.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children, will be available at the gate. Proceeds will to the Lions' Children's Eye Clinic.

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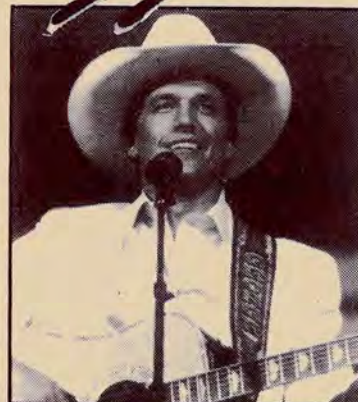
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Mary Ann Hagel of the Phoenix Residence in St. Paul shows her enthusiasm after winning the 100-meter race in her heat at the XVIII Annual Minnesota Special Olympics Summer Games held at Macalester College June 7-9.

Tapemark tourney is June 24-26

The 17th-annual Tapemark Charity Pro-Am Golf Tournament, featuring pros like Dave Tentis, Jon Chaffee, Mike Zinni, George Shortridge, Bill Israelson and 1987 champion Bob Olds, will be held June 24-26 at Southview Country Club and Indian Hills Golf Club.

The tourney will feature team competition as well as individual professional competition. There will be 108 teams of one pro and three amateurs vying for prizes in a two-best-balls event. Over the past 16 years, the Tapemark golf tournament has raised more than \$1.5 million to benefit learning disabled and mentally retarded citizens in the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

Spectator tickets are \$2.50 and will enter fans in a raffle that will include a 1988 Chevrolet, a color television, a hot-air balloon ride and other prizes. Tickets are good for admission at both courses

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Four from CST named to all-conference softball team

Four members of this year's MIAC champion College of St. Thomas softball team have been named to the all-conference squad. They are junior Patrice Detlie and seniors Jeanne Ewald, Margaret Boland and Mary Kuritz.

Detlie, who started for the Tommies in left field, hit .289 for the year and led the team in runs (35) and stolen bases (9).

Ewald, the Tommies' top pitcher this year, fashioned a 16-5 overall record and recorded an ERA of 1.18. She also led the team in strikeouts with 57.

Boland started the season at catcher before moving to shortstop. She hit .395 and led the team in RBIs. She was also named to the Academic All-MIAC team.

The four all-conference honorees helped lead the Tommies to their fourth straight MIAC title this year. St. Thomas finished the year undefeated in the conference at 18-0, and were 36-7 overall. The Tommies advanced to the NCAA West Regional Tournament, where they were defeated by Central College of Iowa, the eventual national champion, in the finals.

Rec Center Roundup

SUMMER REGISTRATION STILL OPEN

Registration is still open for summer classes at Homecroft and Hillcrest. Homecroft is offering classes in creative dance, creative drama, drawing for kids 9 and older, games, small-fry activities, tiny tumblers, tumbling and adult volleyball. Hillcrest has openings in crafts for kids ages 5-7, dance line for ages 8-14, and cheerleading for ages 8-14.

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The public is invited to the Division of Parks and Recreation's Rendezvous, scheduled from 4:00 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, at Como Park. The event will feature contests, music and other entertainment, and free drawings and prizes. For more information, call your local recreation center.



Sean McKamie, Central

The Los Angeles Dodgers liked Sean McKamie enough to draft him this spring. His fans in town here at St. Paul Central like him pretty well, too.

This senior shortstop hit .425 this past year with four homeruns and 19 stolen bases, and according to his coach, Dave Hagman, has great range and hands.

"Sean leads by example on the field, always hustling and trying to improve his game," adds Hagman.

Evidently this has paid off for Sean as he has been All-Conference his junior and senior years, All-Metro and All-State this year.

"It's interesting to note," says Coach Hagman, "that Sean's natural position is second base where he has played the last two years, but for the good of the team he volunteered to play short this year, and accumulated all those honors at a new position for him."

Coach Hagman notes that Sean cares about young people in his community as he has been active in the Dunning playground and baseball program for years, including coaching a youth team there this summer.

In 1986 Sean was named St. Paul Park & Recreational Volunteer of the Year for his work with The Neighborhood Connection and is a three-year board member of that Dunning Playground organization.

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Dan Scanlan, Cretin-Derham Hall

Dan Scanlan's coach at Cretin-Derham Hall, Dennis Denning, says this first baseman/pitcher has a "Don Mattingly-type swing." The St. Paul Pioneer Press adds in a recent article that he also has "Frank Viola-like success as a pitcher during his junior and senior seasons, winning 14 games and losing one. This season, he's 7-0 and also .471 at the plate, with four home runs and 29 runs batted in."

Along with the honors of All-Conference, All-Metro and All-State, another stunning accolade came Dan's way recently. He was picked as Minnesota's only high school-age representative for the Junior Olympic Team which will play in Sioux Falls, S.D., this summer and possibly be chosen from the 80 players to play in the All-World Tourney in Canada later this year.

Dan, not surprisingly, excels in other sports. He was the football captain this year, and was All-Conference the last three years, capping his career off with All-Metro honors in '87 and chosen to WCCO's All-State team in '88 and invited to the All-Star game this summer.

Dan is a member of the National Honor Society, and recently won the Padden Award, Cretin-Derham's most prestigious athletic-academic award. He plans to attend Harvard where he will play both baseball and hockey.

Congratulations to these two super All-Stars from the staff at Liberty.

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Cody's Corner

by Tom Cody

STARS' LIGHT DIMMING

Suddenly, news about the North Stars is hitting the front pages, and local hockey fans are beginning to realize just how far into the dumpster this franchise has sunk. I don't get it: it took 10 years to hook Herb Brooks, and now the Stars are going to let the big fish go without a struggle.

I can understand why Brooks would want to leave. He's no dummy; he recognizes a loser when he sees one. But what I don't understand is:

- If Lou Nanne's been fired as general manager, why would he be allowed to determine the team's first draft choice? That's like firing your maid, then asking her to polish the inside of your vault.

- Why draft 18-year-old Mike Modano, who's not even close to being ready physically for the NHL? The North Stars need help—now.

- What was the thinking behind their second-round draft pick, a guy who's known as the Missing Link? Even Brooks couldn't pretend this was a crafty maneuver.

- Don't the North Stars realize the Timberwolves will soon be the novelty in winter sports? Minnesotans have proven their propensity to flock to whatever is in vogue, so the Stars had better get their act together. It'll be embarrassing to be outdrawn by Randy Breuer and a bunch of other NBA rejects.

- How can a hockey team fail in Minnesota? This defies logic.

HOT FINISH FOR COLD-WEATHER SPORT

One of the first things I noticed about the NBA finals: when the coaches called time-outs, their huddles closely resembled dinner at the Codys'. There was a great deal of talking going on, but not a whole lot of listening. It occurred to me that Chuck Daly and Pat Riley didn't have much to do with the game of the series; when it was crunch time, their players just headed for the hoops and played.

It was wonderful to behold. Isiah and Magic's duel-within-a-duel in this series was every bit as entertaining as the Pistons-Lakers main attraction. Every time one point guard made a sensational play, the other would counter with an even better one. That the two men are close friends made the competition appear even more genuine.

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar turned in a heroic performance in the finals. In the stretch, he was the difference. But I still think he ought to take a cue from Dr. J and get out of the game while he's able to get out on his own terms.

This was your last hurrah, Camel-Head. Think this "one

more year" thing over again and retire already. You're old news.

Speaking of old news, what about the NBA season? This is a winter game that outlasts spring. While the final rounds of the NBA playoffs were entertaining these past few weeks, they should've been held last March.

HERR WE GO AGAIN?

The verdict's in on the Tom Brunansky-Tommie Herr trade, and the jury's found the Twins' front office guilty.

And here we'd thought the era when Twins trades and contract dealings were made solely on the basis of the pocket-book had ended back when Calvin Griffith sold the ball club to Carl Pohlad. But seeing Bruno and his beefy contract getting shipped to St. Louis for a second baseman who couldn't keep Lombardozzi on the bench verified what I had long feared: Pohlad's just another businessman, and the Twins still don't have an owner who's interested in bringing a consistent winner to Minnesota.

Pohlad is probably hoping the momentum of fan support following last year's world championship will help the Twins' faithful forget Brunansky.

Don't get me wrong: Bruno is good but he isn't great. While the big right-fielder has been hot in St. Louis, he'll soon return to hitting his usual .250. The man has made a career of being average over an entire season. But Herr will be a free agent this winter and he'll move on to another team. All the Twins will receive as compensation for Herr is a couple of draft picks. Given the team's past record on signing draftees, this will amount to next to nothing in return for the power-hitter Brunansky.

It wasn't long ago that we watched in horror as Calvin peddled away Larry Hise, Lyman Bostock and Rod Carew, breaking up the best Twins team of the past decade. I hope the Brunansky trade isn't the first move toward breaking up the current squad.

MORE TWINS GRIPING

"Viola on Monday, then lose till Sunday." That's the refrain being sung this spring by the Twins' pitching staff. While the big left-hander has been sensational so far, the other starters just aren't making it. Blyleven's been alternating between above average and awful. The Charlie-Lea experiment should have been wrapped up weeks ago. Only the unexpected success of relievers Atherton and Berenguer has kept the staff above water. And minor-leaguers Gasser and Bumgarner—the Twins' supposed hurlers of the future—have been major disappointments in AAA.

"Who's Brian Harper?" my son Dillon asked me the other night. "They got him from the minors," I replied. "Was he digging in caves for gold?" Dillon asked after a pause. "Different miners," Dad explained.

ESSENCE OF BASEBALL

I had a grin on my face the whole time. That's the best endorsement I can give to any movie, let alone a baseball movie. *Bull Durham* with Kevin Costner as catcher Crash Davis is not just the best sports movie I've seen in the past decade, it's one of the funniest films on any subject I've ever

seen. This is a film about baseball and life, made by somebody who had something to say about both.

"Baseball is the only church that feeds the soul every day," says one of the characters at the beginning of the film. "The Greatest Show on Dirt," reads the sign on the team bus.

The movie is full of genuine ball-park talk. "This Class A ball ain't much," mutters the beleaguered manager, "but it beats the hell out of working at Sears." Throughout the film we're treated to a look inside the game, inside the dugout and inside the players who dream of making the "show," the big leagues.

Bull Durham presents the poetry and elegance of baseball along with its gritty, down-and-dirty underside. In it, Davis is assigned to help a raw, rookie pitcher mature. When the rookie hurler is hammered for one particularly long homer, Davis runs out to the mound and remarks, "Anything that travels that far ought to have a stewardess on it." Later, there is a meeting on the mound that is destined to become a classic in cinematic history.

I'll spare you any more previews. Just don't miss this movie. Susan Sarandon alone is worth the price of admission.

NATIVITY TOPS HI-C FOR CROWN

Jack Peick's Nativity boys' baseball team won the rubber game against Highland Catholic to capture the CAA championship last week at Municipal Stadium. The two teams had split their first two meetings during the regular season, but in the finals Nativity prevailed 8-6. Hi-C grabbed a 4-0 lead after two innings, knocking Nativity starter Mike Greeley out of the box. The Patriots threatened to blow the game wide open in the fourth inning when they loaded the bases with nobody out.

"We only came up with one run in that situation," said Hi-C coach Bob Tschida. "We had our number 3, 4 and 5 hitters coming up, and all we managed were three ground balls."

The Nativity nine chipped away at the 5-0 lead, scoring two runs of their own in the fourth inning off Hi-C starter Tom Salmen. The Natives erupted for six more in the fifth inning, with catcher Bryan Dan's double to left driving in two big ones. Third baseman Dan Kaminsky followed with a single to right to make it 8-5.

"They've got a lot of good athletes at Nativity," said Tschida, whose team finished 10-4 this season, "and they're well-coached. We probably had the three most dominant players, but they had better balance in their attack. Salmen was our top pitcher—he struck out 10 in the title game, and he hit around .350. John Berthiaume hit .400 and went 6-0 as a pitcher. He had a hit in every league game we played this year. T. J. Barnes was a pleasant surprise for us in the No. 5 spot in the order—he had a lot of clutch RBIs. (Left-fielder) Jeff Sturm and (centerfielder) Todd Bannie did a nice job at the top of the batting order as well."

Nativity put together a 13-2 mark this year. "Ryan Walter (a relief pitcher) did a nice job for us against Hi-C," Peick said. "He and Greeley threw strikes and kept the ball in play. We didn't make an error in the finals."

Peick changed his line-up with a month to go in the regular season. "Once we put Mike Sweeney in the lead-off spot, we went undefeated," he said. Nativity's centerfielder went 5-for-5 in the semis against Hastings.



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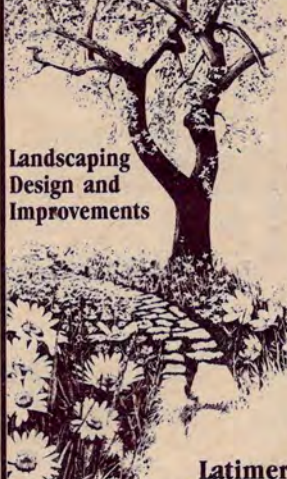
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